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SHATTERING SETBACK TO PANZER SPEARHEAD IN GREECE

YUGOSLAV FRONT UNBROKEN

The Yugoslav front is unbroken, though their losses have been heavy, says the Berlin correspondent of the "Stockholm Tidningar."

He says Berlin recognises that the difficulties of the Balkan operations have still to be overcome.

—Reuter.

GERMANS CONTRADICT THE ITALIANS

ANOTHER YUGOSLAV TOWN HAS BEEN BOMBED BY THE GERMANS, NAMELY SARAJEVO, CAPITAL OF BOSSIA — THE CITY WHERE THE ASSASSINATION OF THE AUSTRIAN ARCHDUKE WAS THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF THE WAR IN 1914.

The German news agency claims that direct hits were made on large troop camps between the railway station and the town causing extensive destruction and large fires. — Reuter.

[D.N.B. seems to be providing the contradiction of the grotesque Italian claim to the capture of Sarajevo.]

MORE COMFORTING DEVELOPMENTS IN YUGOSLAVIA

THE POSITION IN YUGOSLAVIA WAS DESCRIBED IN LONDON YESTERDAY AS BEING SLIGHTLY MORE COMFORTING.

In southern Yugoslavia the Germans have been driven back to Suha Reka, and Yugoslav troops were now advancing on Kacamik Gorge.

German armoured forces have been encountered at the village of Tobola, about 20 miles from Belgrade, and the village is now isolated.

In Krugujevac and Kraus Evac, the Yugoslavs were holding their own and had retaken Brokuplje.

In north-west Yugoslavia, the situation was still confusing at an early hour yesterday, according to reliable information reaching London through the Yugoslavs

Germans Repulsed At Every Point Of Contact On Front

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

IT WAS REPORTED IN ATHENS LAST NIGHT THAT THE MAIN BODIES OF THE GREEK AND BRITISH TROOPS, AFTER INFlicting A SHATTERING SETBACK TO THE PANZER SPEARHEAD COLUMN, WERE LOCKED IN BATTLE EARLY YESTERDAY WITH THE INVADERS WHO ARE STRIKING IN FULL FORCE AGAINST THE PRINCIPAL DEFENCE LINE.

Athens radio declared: "Generally speaking, wherever hitherto German armoured columns have met Greek resistance they have been checked."

The German columns are now in contact with the organised central front, held by the main British and Greek forces. This forms a powerful wall against which the Germans have now given battle."

The radio describes the terrific battle from Florina to Vanitsa, where it is claimed the Anglo-Greek force shattered a major German vanguard column of tanks, motorcycles and infantry.

Swift-moving British and Anzac armoured cars are reported to have destroyed many German tanks, inflicting heavy casualties along the Yanitsa Plain, 28 miles west of Salonika, where the Germans are trying to turn the Anglo-Greek flank for a drive to Larissa.

The Greek communiqué is conservative in tone, merely re-

porting "restricted activity" at various points on both fronts, indicating the High Command is awaiting the development of definite trends before an announcement.

Reports received in Athens claim the Yugoslavs are strongly counter-attacking in many sectors, especially north-west of Skoplje.

AIR BATTLE OFF CORNWALL

British fighters shot down an enemy bomber into the sea off the Cornish coast yesterday afternoon.

It is now confirmed that A.A. fire destroyed three, instead of two enemy bombers on both Wednesday and Friday night, making a total of 13 enemy aircraft destroyed on Wednesday and six on Friday.

This increases the total of night raiders destroyed in five moonlight nights to a record of 45. Night fighters accounted for 33.—Reuter.

EVENTS AS SEEN IN CAIRO

The German and Italian forces have extended their record dash across Libya, it is learned in Cairo, to the Egyptian frontier.

Leaving Tobruk to be settled later, they seized Bardia and are now fighting near Sollum.

The speed of their advance has had its complications.

The British and Imperial forces at Tobruk threaten their lines of communication, the R.A.F. smashed an imminent tank attack in that area, they are believed to be relying on petrol supplies by air to oil their advance, and as the Western Desert again becomes a battleground, British reinforcements are being rushed up daily.

The British forces in northern Greece have driven back German tanks and infantry on the eastern sector of the Allied front, and R.A.F. aircraft continued to harry German motorised convoys in the Bitoli area (the entrance to Monastir Gap), but no major battle between the Allied and German forces has yet begun.

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Rupel Pass Held

It is reported that the Greeks facing a trap in Albania have repelled a heavy Italian attack north of the Aoos River, with many Italian casualties.

It is reported that the Greek defenders are still holding the Rupel Pass fortifications, though few survive.—International News Service.

Cairo Announces Defeat Of Germans

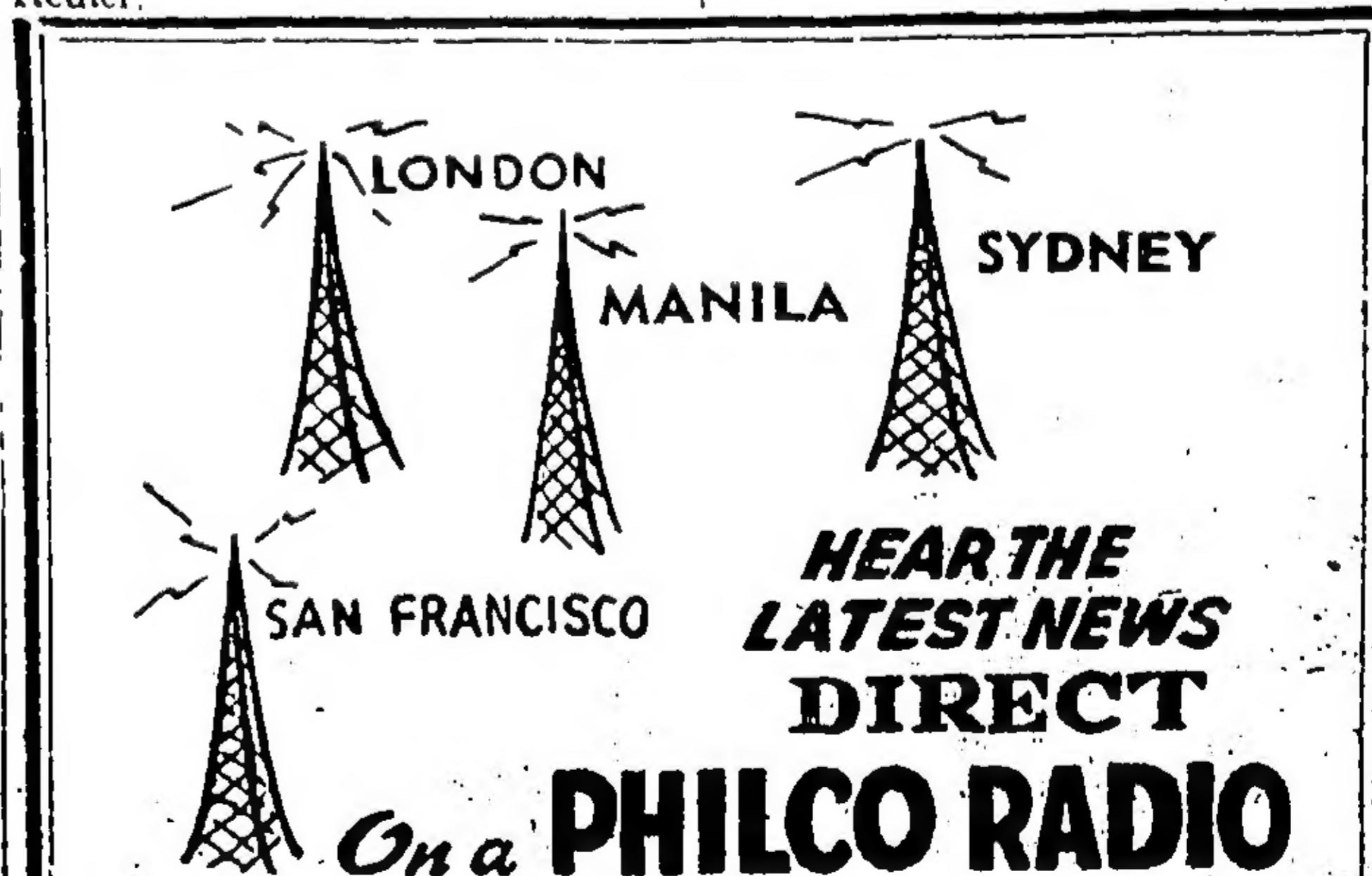
The forces of the Empire in Northern Greece on Saturday came into contact with German tanks and infantry on the "eastern sector of our front" and some fighting ensued which resulted in the Germans being driven back, it was reported in Cairo yesterday.

Otherwise there is no change on that front.—Reuter.

Which Contradicts This Nazi Claim

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") German claims, which are not confirmed from any other source, allege that the main Anglo-Greek defence line has retired to the southerly Olympus Mountains.

They are said to have withdrawn 35 miles, forming a new line running from the Aegean coast westward across Larissa to Yanina.—International News Service.



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Large German Column Hurled Into Broken Retreat BLITZ COLUMN COMPLETELY DISPERSED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

STURDY GREEK TROOPS, SUPPORTED BY BRITISH AND IMPERIAL ARMoured UNITS, HURLED A HUGE GERMAN COLUMN OF TANKS, MOTOR-CYCLISTS AND INFANTRY BACK INTO BROKEN RETREAT IN A SMASHING COUNTER-ATTACK NORTH OF THE GREEK TOWN OF FLORINA, IT WAS ANNOUNCED OFFICIALLY IN ATHENS.

The Easter victory was revealed in a special bulletin issued by the Athens Press Ministry, which declared that a powerful Nazi blitz column had been completely dispersed as it moved on Florina down the road from Monastir Gap, on the Yugoslav frontier, in an effort to turn the western flank of the British and Greek defence line.

It is declared the Germans suffered severe casualties and considerable damage to their tanks and other vehicles in the first serious setback inflicted on them since the panzer divisions broke through Monastir Gap into north and central Greece.

Simultaneously Athens received news of a mighty Yugoslav counter-attack from Nish, in central Serbia. The Yugoslavs are understood to have stemmed German drives against the national capital of Belgrade and the Bosnian capital of Sarajevo. International News Service.

Bombastic Nazi Claim

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Bombastic Berlin claims allege that at least 14 Yugoslav divisions, comprising about 200,000 troops, have been "wiped out" by the German forces since the invasion of Yugoslavia a week ago.

Nazi circles attribute "this success" to their air force, which forced the Yugoslav divisions to "face annihilation or capitulation." International News Service.

JITTERY SHANGHAI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
JITTERY SHANGHAI WAS SHAKEN UP YESTERDAY AFTERNOON WHEN THE SIREN OF THE B. AND S. VESSEL "PAKHOI" WENT OFF LIKE AN AUTOMOBILE HORN WHICH THE CREW WERE UNABLE TO CHECK FOR FIVE MINUTES.

Shanghai believed an armistice had arrived or that something had happened to the Italian liner "Conte Verde" which for a week has been believed to be preparing for a dash to Japan.—International News Service.

NAZI AIR LOSSES

THE GERMANS LOST 48 PLANES OVER BRITAIN AND ROUND THE BRITISH COASTS IN THE WEEK ENDING AT DAWN ON APRIL 12. FORTY-FIVE OF THESE WERE BOMBERS.

During this period Britain lost only one plane in this area.

Details show the Germans lost one plane on April 7, six during the night of April 7/8, one on April 8, 10 during the night of April 8/9, three on April 9, 12 during the night of April 9, two on April 10, 10 during the night of April 10/11 and three during the night of April 11/12.—Reuter.

LEASE AND LEND TO EIRE?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It was strongly reported in Washington yesterday that the Administration is considering extension of the Lease and Lend Act to Eire to promote closer Irish co-operation with Britain. International News Service.

LIGHTNING STRIKES IN STORM

THE EUROPEAN POLICE MARRIED QUARTERS, OPPOSITE THE CENTRAL POLICE CHARGE-ROOM, WAS STRUCK BY LIGHTNING AT 4.45 A.M. YESTERDAY DURING A BRIEF THUNDERSTORM.

The chimney of the building was wrecked and tar on the surface of the roof was set on fire.

Fire appliances from the Central Fire Station were summoned, but on their arrival they found the blaze had been extinguished by the rain.

It is reported that a Chinese stall-holder in Gage Street was struck by lightning in the thunderstorm while he was standing outside his stall. The body was removed to the Mortuary.

COOLIE STOPS WOMAN'S SUICIDE

THE ALERTNESS OF A RICKSHA COOLIE SAVED A CHINESE WOMAN FROM DROWNING HERSELF LAST NIGHT.

The woman was observed by the coolie at 11.30 pm. walking down the steps of a wharf at Yaumati into the harbour.

He immediately rushed up and dragged her out of the water. She refused to go to hospital.

SOVIET REBUKE TO HUNGARY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Russian rebuke to Hungary for having invaded Yugoslavia is interpreted as a threat of possible Soviet action in the Balkans against Nazi-influenced Hungary.

The Soviet Deputy Foreign Commissar's reference to minorities in Hungary refers to Ukrainians and Ruthenians.

His words appeared to contain a veiled threat of the possibility that the Red Army might be set in motion to assume "protection" over the Slavic peoples inhabiting sub-Carpathian Russia, which Hungary seized from Czechoslovakia two years ago.

Such a Soviet measure might be calculated to retaliate against Hungary, which sent troops into Yugoslavia last Thursday night. It might also bolster resistance against the Italo-German invasion by Yugoslavia with whom Russia has a treaty of non-aggression and friendship. International News Service.

CHURCHILL TALK TO YUGOSLAVS

"Do not regret that staunch courage which has brought upon you this furious onslaught," said Mr. Winston Churchill in a broadcast last night to the Yugoslav people.

"You are making a heroic resistance against formidable odds and so proving true to your traditions.

"Your courage will shine out in the pages of history and will reap a more immediate reward. Whatever you lose in the present you have saved for the future.

"The British Empire is fighting with you and behind is the great democracy of the United States with its vast and ever increasing resources.

"However hard the fight, our victory is assured."—Reuter.

BOY SCOUTS TUNNEL BY HAND TO RESCUE

Two Rover Scouts who tunneled into the debris of a bombed house with their hands to rescue a trapped man have each been awarded the Boy Scouts Association's Gilt Cross for gallantry.

They are Norman S. Petts and John W. Livesey, of Middlesex.

Cries were heard from the debris, and Petts and Livesey immediately began to tunnel towards the voice.

Eventually they crawled inside, supporting wreckage with broken timbers, and on reaching the injured man began to hollow out the debris beneath him.

Escaping gas added to the danger.

YUGOSLAVIA ARMY INTACT IN MOUNTAINS

Majority of the Yugoslav forces have withdrawn intact into the mountains, where they will be able to hold out as long as supplies reach them from the Dalmatian coast.

This statement by the Yugoslav Embassy spokesman in Ankara was quoted by the Ankara correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System in New York.

--Reuter.

SOVIET POLICY IN BALKANS

The significance of the Russian attitude to Yugoslavia was stressed by a "Sunday Times" correspondent in a review of the Balkan situation.

The correspondent points out that far from regarding a Yugoslav defeat as a foregone conclusion, the "Red Star," organ of the Red Army, on Saturday declared the Soviet Union regarded the foreign policy of the Simovitch Government as the right one, that latest developments added significance to the pact of friendship signed on the morning of the German invasion, and that Russia would always fulfill her pledges.

Without reading too much into this statement, says the correspondent, it is clear the Russians are encouraging the Yugoslavs to resist as long as possible.

It may also be gathered that the Russians were not unimpressed with Mr. Churchill's last speech and would welcome a closer understanding with Britain and Turkey and possibly with the United States.—Reuter.

AMERICAN CLUB STAYS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
ELOQUENT SPEECHES AGAINST HAULING DOWN THE STARS AND STRIPES IN SHANGHAI AT THIS TIME, DEFEATED A PROPOSAL TO SELL THE AMERICAN CLUB PROPERTY BY A VOTE OF THREE TO ONE.

A proposal to sell the building for \$2,500,000 to "Shanghai Securities, Ltd." would give "a wrong impression that Americans are pulling out their stakes here," said Judge N. F. Allman.—International News Service.

MINISTER LEAVES FOR TURKEY

The Yugoslav Minister to Bulgaria, with the staff of the Legation in Sofia, has left for Turkey, according to a telegram from the Bulgarian capital received in Rome.—Reuter.

M. EGAL BEING TAKEN TO SAIGON

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
M. Egal, Leader of the Free French movement in Shanghai, left under custody for Saigon last night on board the Messageries Maritimes ship "Kingia."

M. Egal faces trial by the naval authorities in Saigon on a charge of inciting French sailors to desert after three members of the crew of the French gunboat "Francois Garnier" deserted and joined a General de Gaulle detachment which left Shanghai last week.

M. Egal has been recruiting forces for the Free French for over a year unmolested by the French authorities, as long as he confined his activities to civilians or members of the crews of French merchantmen plying between Saigon and Shanghai.

He was taken into custody by the French navy when he allegedly incited French naval sailors to desert.

M. Egal's wife, son and lawyer, M. Paul Pernet, were permitted to bid him good-bye on board the "Kingia." —International News Service.

BLIMPS DEFY 'NO SPIT AND POLISH' ORDER

Brigadiers and colonels of the "Spit and Polish" school are countering orders from their divisional headquarters and exposing their men to unnecessary danger.

This complaint is made by soldiers home on leave.

Divisional headquarters issued an order that brass should not be cleaned because of the possibility of attracting the attention of the enemy.

But some senior officers of the old school have ignored the order and commanded a general polish up.

Here is the story of one soldier. "After a few days' observance of the order not to polish brass we had another battalion order to polish again. We had even to blanch the tapes of our gas caps.

"As a result men on guard round camouflaged tanks were glittering in the moonlight like Christmas trees.

"We do not want to look slovenly, and at all times greatcoat buttons and cap badges are cleaned for walking out."

"What we object to is the waste of time on a job we are forbidden to do by divisional headquarters, and one which needlessly endangers the battalion and equipment."

SHANGHAI WAVE OF STRIKES

A wave of strikes is sweeping through Shanghai.

Yesterday, some 20,000 masons, plumbers, and carpenters, employed in hundreds of factories, and workshops, went on strike, demanding increased wages.

In the French Concession, employees in several hotels and boarding houses also struck work. Our Own Correspondent.

ACCORD WITH A DIFFERENCE

Novel Form Of Instrument Signed In Moscow

With Some Significant Omissions

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND NEUTRALITY SIGNED BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND JAPAN IS A SOMEWHAT NOVEL FORM OF INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENT.

In effect, the Treaty of Neutrality as it stands does not go so far as a treaty of non-aggression, especially that so recently signed between Russia and Yugoslavia.

In the latter, both countries pledged themselves to continue their policy of friendship even in the event of either being a victim of aggression.

In the treaty between Moscow and Japan each country agrees to observe neutrality if the other is the object of military action by a third power or powers.

It would therefore theoretically tie the hands of Japan, in the event of Russia being attacked by her Axis partners, and similarly would ensure Russia's neutrality if Japan were attacked from any quarter.

The Initiative?

Apparently, however, there is no provision as to their mutual attitude if either takes the initiative in "military action."

THIS OMISSION, WHICH CANNOT BE DUE TO OVER-SIGHT, IS VERY SIGNIFICANT AS IT LEAVES THE DOOR OPEN TO SUNDRY CONTINGENCIES.

On the whole, therefore, the new Treaty cannot be said to modify the situation very materially.

Recognition of the mutual situation in Manchukuo and Outer Mongolia really concedes de facto a situation already in being.

The question of Russia's aid to Chungking is conspicuously absent from the published reports of the negotiations.—Reuter.

Von der Schulenberg To Report To Berlin

Following the signing of the Soviet-Japanese Neutrality Pact, Count von der Schulenberg, the German Ambassador, left Moscow for Berlin last night to consult with his Government.—Reuter.

SOFIA CAMPAIGN

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]
THE SOFIA NEWSPAPERS HAVE STARTED A CAMPAIGN ALLEGING A REIGN OF ANARCHY IN YUGOSLAVIA AND THAT THE DEFENCELESS BULGARIAN POPULATION THERE IS TERRIFIED.

It is believed Bulgaria will shortly emulate Hungary and send troops to Yugoslavia "to protect" Bulgarian residents. It is believed Bulgaria may seize the pretext to "reclaim" Yugoslav Macedonia.—International News Service.

U.S. MINISTER'S HOME DESTROYED

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]
A message to the State Department in Washington reports that the residence of the U.S. Minister to Belgrade was virtually destroyed, though the Legation offices were only slightly damaged, in the Nazi air raids.

The Minister and his staff are safe.

U.S. WILL IGNORE DANISH PROTEST ON GREENLAND

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

IT IS RELIABLY learned in Washington that the United States will reject or ignore Denmark's reported German-dictated disavowal of the new agreement extending American military protection to Greenland.

A high authority says the Danish Minister in Washington, M. Henrik de Kauffman, will refuse to comply with orders recalling him to Copenhagen as punishment for signing the agreement.

An Administration spokesman said Denmark's reported repudiation was obviously under German duress and is not considered valid.

He indicated the possibility that M. de Kauffman may be installed as head of a Danish refugee government in the United States, dealing independently with the United States regarding Danish affairs, including the seizure of vessels.

Going Ahead

In such an event, it is indicated that frozen Danish funds would promptly be placed at his disposal.

Meanwhile the United States is speeding plans for bases in Greenland.

A Berlin report says the Danish Government is drafting a comprehensive protest to Washington, including the recall of M. de Kauffman and a demand that the U.S.A. respect the "integrity" of Greenland.—International News Service.

DEMOLITIONS DELAY ADVANCE

In Abyssinia, the two main British advances along the Dessie and Gondar Roads are still held up by demolitions while the Italians are demanding protection in increasing numbers from the ever-growing patriot forces.—Reuter.

JUST ONE MORE PAPER

The reaction of U.S. State Department officials to the Russo-Japanese Neutrality Pact indicated that it did not come as a surprise. They refrained, however, from any comment.

Mr. Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said the pact had no "real significance." He added: "It is just another of those papers."

Some legislators, however, privately expressed concern that Japan might now feel free to move in the Pacific.—Reuter

STRIKE IN SHANGHAI LUXURY HOTELS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Leading hotels in Shanghai are threatened by a strike wave which started at the Cathay Mansions and spread to the Cathay Hotel.

The managers reported a likelihood of the strike spreading throughout E. D. Sassoon's hotel chain.

Patrons of luxurious suites are waiting on themselves as telephones, lifts and the kitchen are not working.—International New Service.

MATSUOKA LEAVES FOR HOME

The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, left Moscow for Tokyo last evening after signing on behalf of his country the five-year Neutrality Pact with the Soviet Union.

Mr. Matsuoka is returning by way of the Trans-Siberian Railway.

His train was due to leave at 5 p.m., some three hours after the pact was signed, but departure was delayed an hour by the Pact ceremonial and last-minute formalities.

Mr. Matsuoka has been in Moscow exactly a week following his visit to Berlin and Rome, where he went from the Soviet capital in March.—Reuter.

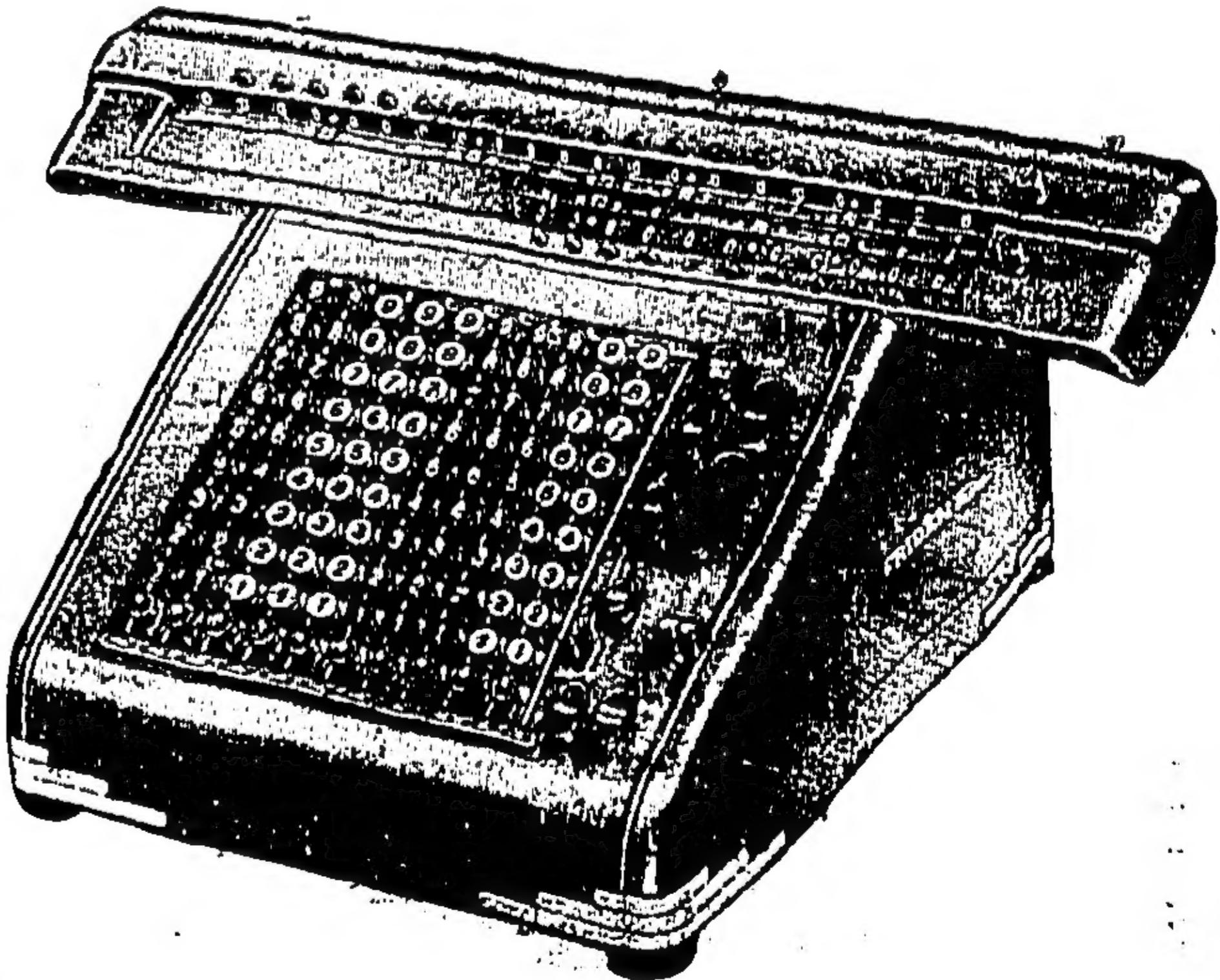
LESSONS IN FIRE BLITZ FIGHTING

Mobile exhibitions, demonstrating the proper methods of extinguishing incendiary bombs, will commence to tour the Island and mainland in April, the "China Mail" learns.

The demonstrations will be carried out under the supervision of Chinese instructors who will endeavour to teach the public how to deal with incendiary bombs, using implements and material usually kept in the household.

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HUNGARIAN MILITARY CLAIM

Hungarian troops occupied the whole of the Baranya triangle (former Hungarian territory which Hungary claims) by Saturday evening, according to a Budapest radio announcement.

Hungarian troops reached Ujvidek while parachutists seized important bridges far ahead of the army and are continuing to hold them until mechanised troops arrive.

The announcer added that the Yugoslavs, in an attempt to hinder the Hungarian advance, blew up several bridges.—Reuter.

MR. GAUSS DUE IN MAY

Mr. Clarence Gauss, newly-appointed American Ambassador to China, is expected in Shanghai on May 14 on board the "President Garfield," according to the Shanghai "Shun Pao."

The paper adds he will leave by the same steamer the next day for Hong Kong en route to Chungking.—Reuter.

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GERMAN RAID REPORT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A German High Command communiqué says Portsmouth, Bristol and the Midlands were heavily bombed on Friday/Saturday night. — International News Service.

HOSPITAL SHIP SINKING

The captain of the Greek hospital ship Attiki, sunk by German bombers on Saturday morning, was shot dead when the planes came down to a level of 100 feet and machine-gunned the life-boats.

This is revealed in survivors' accounts released in Athens last night.

When the captain heard planes he signalled by hand signals and wire less that the vessel was a hospital ship. The signals were continued after the first stick of bombs had fallen.

28 Killed

The ship was set on fire and the decks ripped open and she began to sink.

Wounded, sick, nurses and doctors were lowered into boats but the Germans swooped down and machine-gunned them, killing the captain and others. Nurses and doctors swam, holding up wounded.

Twenty-eight were killed or drowned.—Reuter.

BERLIN DEATHROLL

An "Exchange Telegraph" report from Zurich received in London states that the R.A.F. attack on Berlin caused terrific havoc on German railway stations and residential quarters which had been almost completely gutted.

Casualties, according to the report, amounted to over 2,500. — International News Service.

The Berlin radio yesterday denied the report of a neutral correspondent in Berlin that casualties in the R.A.F. raid were 2,000 dead. Only 11 were killed, the announcer stated.—Reuter.

BRITISH INTERESTS IN HUNGARY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The American Legation at Budapest has been asked to take over British interests, according to the D.N.B. German news agency.

British Legation members, however, have not yet left the Hungarian capital, pending assurance of the Hungarian Legation members' safe return from London. — International News Service.

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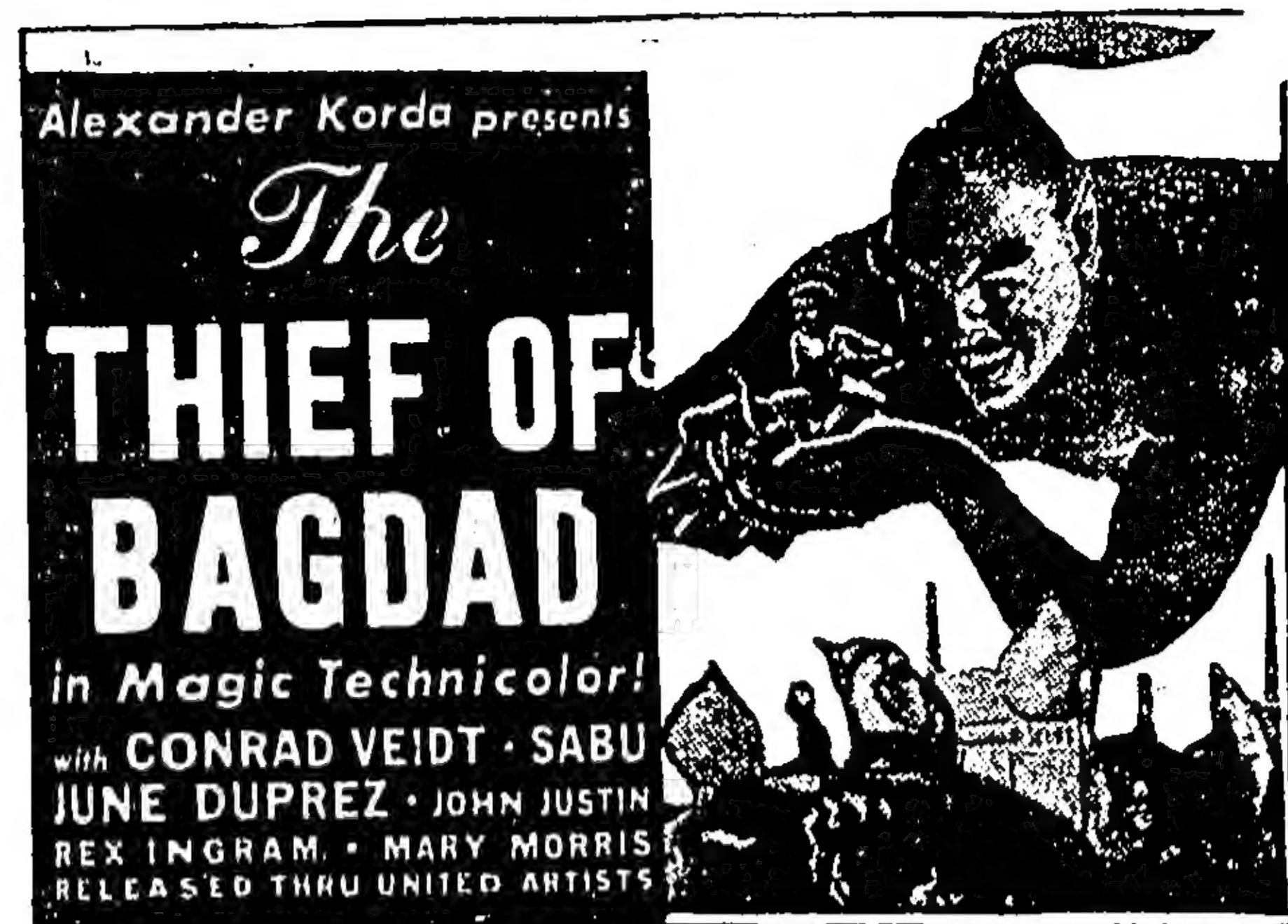
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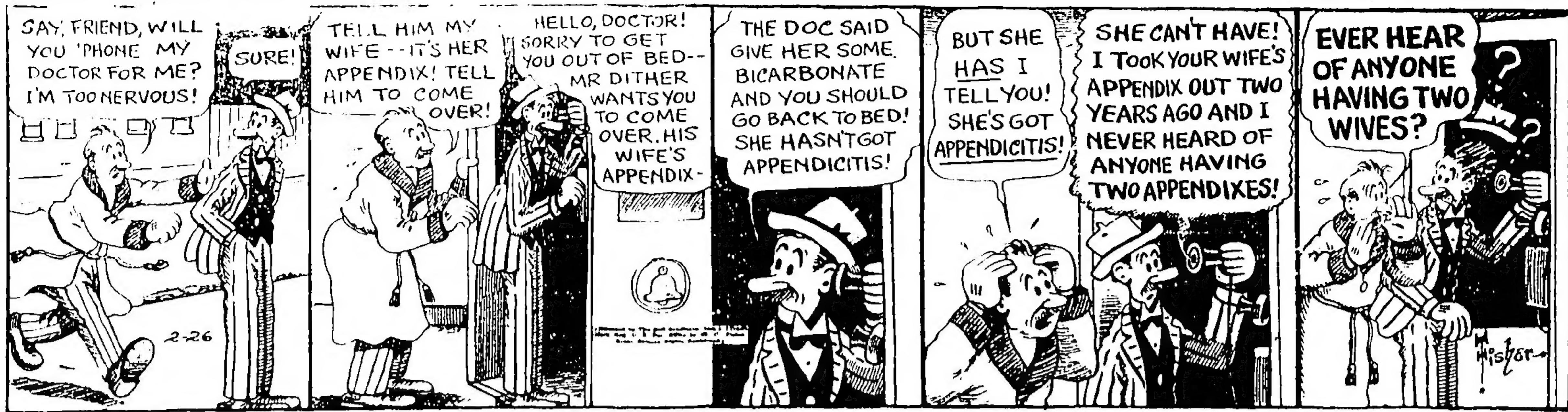
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I WAS A SPY--IN A PUBLIC LIBRARY

(By A Special Correspondent)

I PLAYED THE PART of an enemy spy at the week-end—just by walking into a reference library. It was at Birmingham's main public library. No one apparently observed me as I went in. There were no questions asked.

Downstairs, in the big technical section, I was alone but for two men and a schoolboy. Under the "aeronautical" section I started going through rows and rows of highly technical books on aviation and aerodromes. I picked out three books, then sat reading them at a table.

The first was called "Aeronautics-Charts," published in 1939. It gave a detailed account, complete with maps and photographs of all the main civil aerodromes in this country, many of them now taken over by the R.A.F.

I took notes of the longitude and latitude of a famous aerodrome outside London.

Maps showed all the roads, rivers and canals leading to the aerodromes.

A second book was called "Electrical and Wireless Equipment of Aircraft," published in 1940. This book gave scales and photographs of much R.A.F. equipment now being used.

I read a full technical discussion with all data on wing-tip

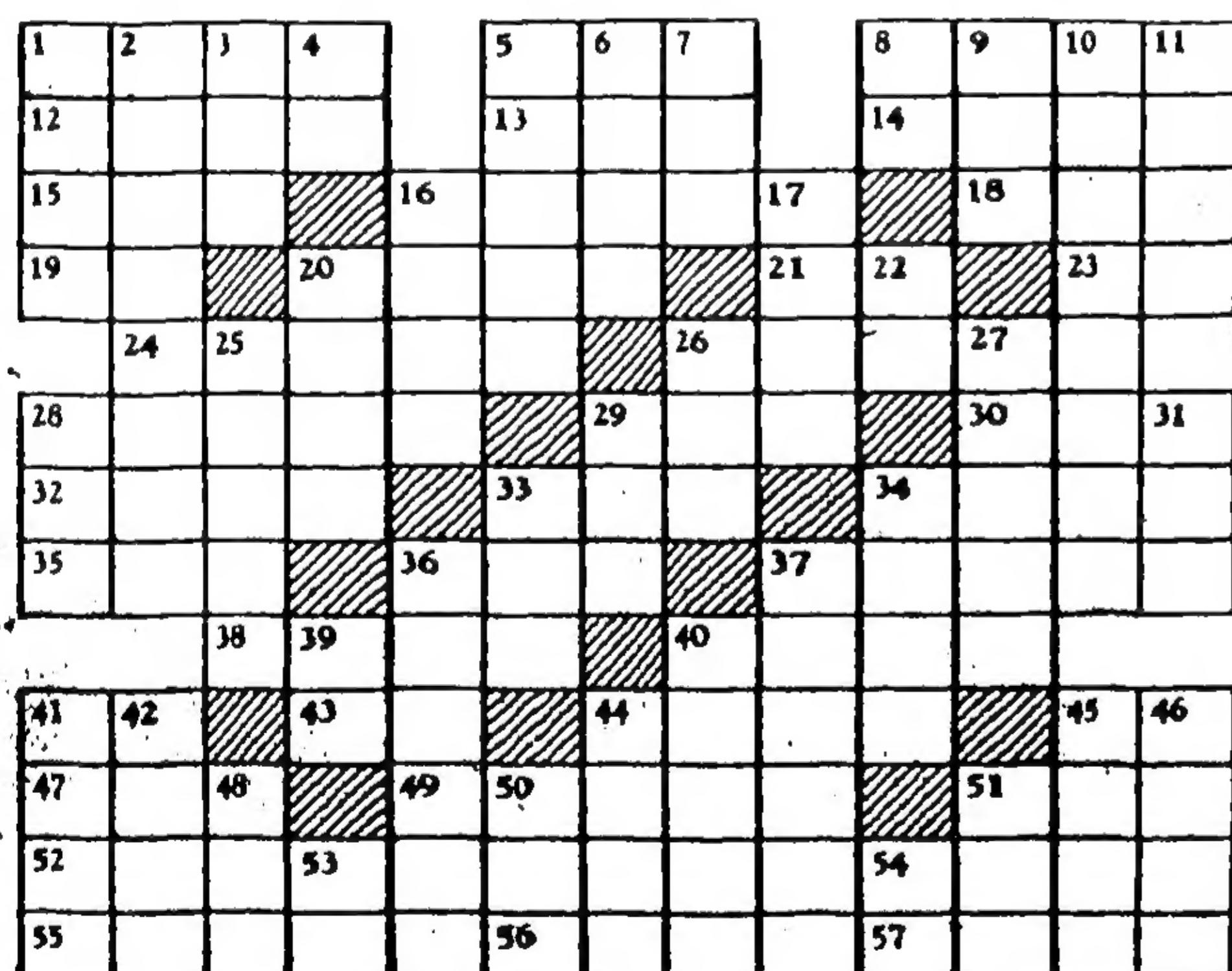
flares of the R.A.F. type, and saw photographs which were "R.A.F. official. Crown copyright reserved."

The third book on hydraulic equipment for aircraft was published in 1938. The point about it was its pages of advertisements of firms making parts for our bombers and fighters.

"I saw Mr. H. M. Cashmore, the city's head librarian. He seemed surprised the books were there. And he immediately withdrew them."

He told me "I am periodically ordered to withdraw certain books. In addition I have applied to have others withdrawn, but in many cases I have not received official permission to do it."

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



HORIZONTAL
1 Repetition
5 To mature
8 African
weaver bird
12 Isles off
Ireland
13 Brim
14 Bacteriologist's culture
15 To pose
16 Ashy-pale
18 Beard of
grain
19 Pronoun
20 Ardent
affection
21 Printer's
measure
23 Toward
24 Din
26 To turn red
28 Musical
study
29 Babylonian
deity
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23 Elects
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27 To bend
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29 High note
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34 Lump of
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36 Division of
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40 Pacific
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42 Moslem
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By BUD FISHER

CLEAN-UP OF VICE IN SHANGHAI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The new joint police force in Shanghai has taken the first step against vice in the western "badlands" by raiding 10 opium dens, arresting 70 people and closing opium distributing hongs.

Chinese and Russian chorines caught dancing in the nude in raids on "immoral" theatres were bundled kicking and screaming into police vans.—International News Service.

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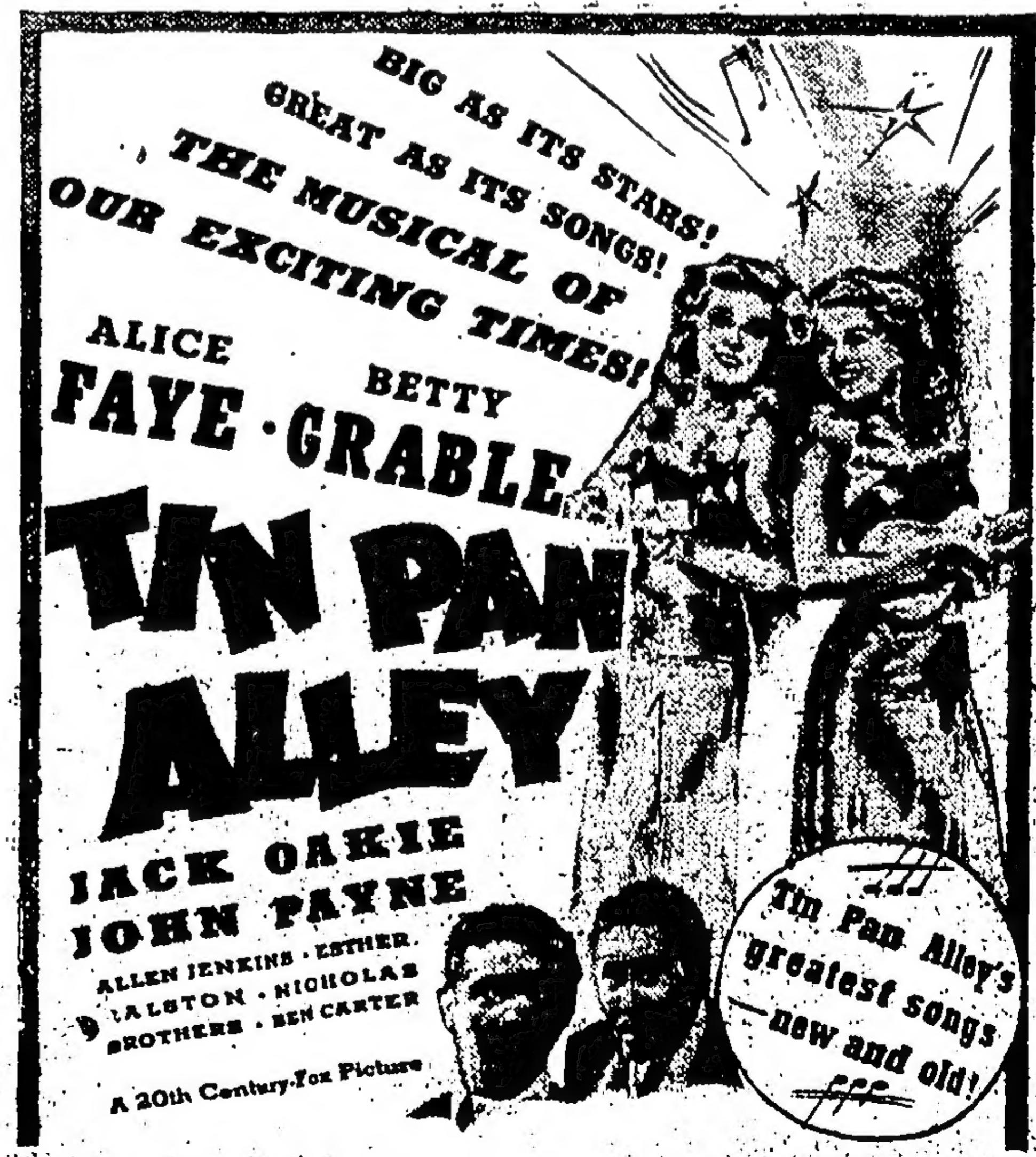
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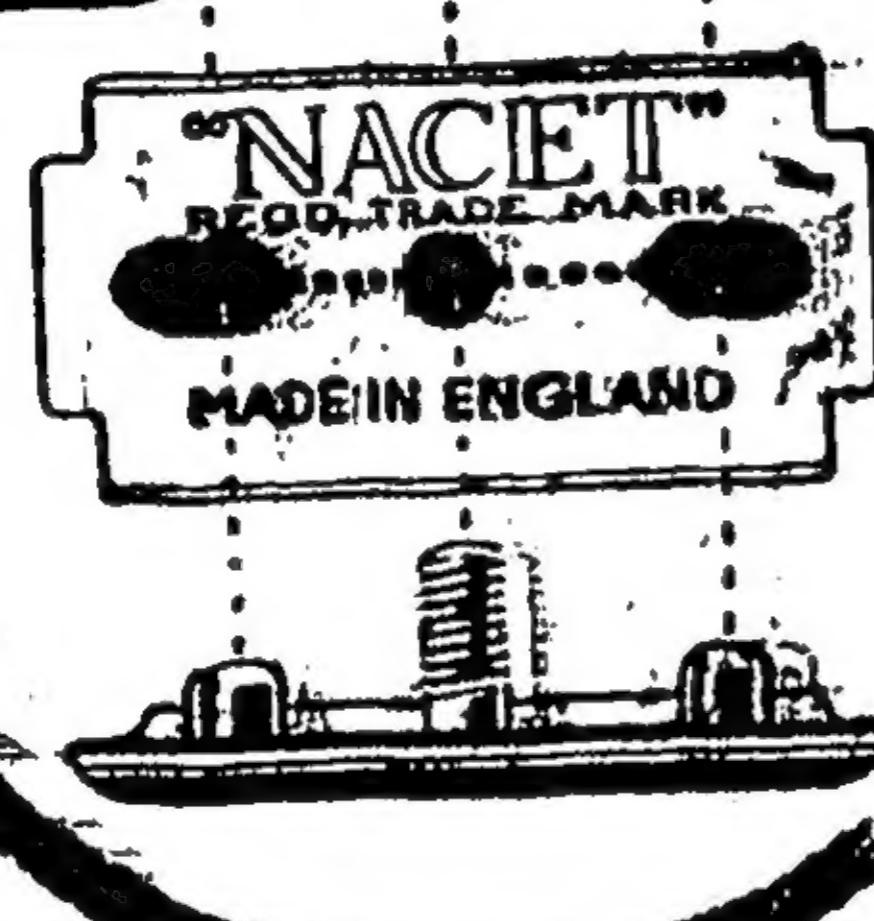
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Dairen Docks Piled

Docks and warehouses at Dairen, principal port of entry for Manchukuo, and at Vladivostok, Far Eastern terminus of the railroad, are piled to overflowing with goods waiting rail transit, as are the railway yards and station platforms at Manchouli, near the Manchukuo-Siberian border.

Some of the goods are of American origin; others come from Japan, from South America, from the Philippines and the Netherlands East Indies.

The ostensible destination of these cargoes is Russia, but both American and British traders believe that most of them are eventually delivered to Germany.

German commercial agents are active throughout the Far East, working openly through government purchasing boards, or secretly through camouflaged companies and neutral go-betweens. Their purpose is to obtain materials needed to feed and clothe Germany's fighting forces, and, to a lesser extent, to supply Germany's war machine.

Export Licensing Working

Until recently, German agents were successful in purchasing important supplies from America through the medium of Chinese and Japanese agents in Shanghai, and even obtained some goods from parts of the British empire.

This trade has now been sharply reduced through enforcement of the American export licensing system and through the vigilance of the British Ministry of Economic Warfare.

But Germany is still obtaining considerable quantities of goods in the Far East, chiefly with the assistance of Japan, which thus fulfills her economic obligations under the Axis alliance.

Attention was first called to the Vladivostok blockade leak by British government representatives in Washington. The extent and importance of this trade can now be reported through information gathered by the Associated Press in reliable foreign trade quarters.

Wanted 50,000 Tons

Authoritative informants state that Germany had counted on obtaining 50,000 tons of goods monthly through Vladivostok and had made arrangements with Soviet authorities to purchase that amount.

However, the German trade network, centred in Japan and in Shanghai, has worked so smoothly and efficiently that Germany is now getting double the anticipated amount of supplies. These figures are based on the belief that most of the Trans-Siberian traffic goes to Germany. Part of the shipments consist of American goods not on the export licensing list.

The largest single cargo to date was 138,000 bales of American cotton shipped from gulf ports to Vladivostok, in transit, in 64-bale lots, each of which filled one rail-way car. It was purchased by Amtorg, the Soviet trade corporation, in New York.

Experts doubt that the Soviet had any domestic use for this cotton, the finest quality produced anywhere in the world, and the most expensive. They point out

that Russia grows sufficient cotton for its own needs, and has even been an exporter in the past.

Big Copra Shipment

Another important recent shipment through Shanghai was 500 tons of copra, plus a large amount of coconut oil. The copra, which is used in the manufacture of munitions, was brought to Shanghai on an American ship from the Philippines early in March and immediately transhipped to Dairen. This was the latest of several similar shipments.

A few weeks ago 50,000 pounds of crude rubber were purchased in Manila by a Shanghai Chinese firm. The origin of the rubber was believed to be either Malaya or the Netherlands East Indies. From Shanghai it was shipped to Dairen in transit to Russia.

Commercial observers believe that Russia either delivered the rubber directly to Germany, or released an equivalent amount from its own stocks. It is reported that Japan has made a similar arrangement with regard to the rubber it has obtained through military and economic pressure on French Indo-China.

The Trans-Siberian railway is now carrying Java sugar from the Netherlands East Indies, purchased through Japan; American copper wire from Shanghai; sugar from Peru; cotton from Brazil; Chinese tea, tungsten and tung oil; American animal fats and a score of other products from a dozen countries.—Associated Press.

**FEWER
IN GAOL**

Britain in war-time is better behaved than it was in peace time.

There are fewer people in the prisons, and fewer offenders are being brought before the courts for criminal offences.

Moreover, some of the convicts who were released from prison in the early days of the war—before the expiration of their sentences—have made good in the army and have become first-class soldiers.

The only classes of offenders who are increasing in numbers are juveniles.

**EXPERT
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Famous throughout the United States as "The Voice of Experience," Mr. Marion Sayle Taylor earns £37,500 a year telling couples over the radio how peacefully to settle their matrimonial and other domestic differences.

The Voice of Experience has applied to a Hollywood court to end his own matrimonial distress with three wives of his own, former and present.

He is charged by wife No. 2 with having persuaded her to give him a friendly divorce to prevent wife No. 1 from filing an alienation of affections.

Wife No. 2 alleges that the Voice of Experience promised he would remarry her as soon as danger of such a suit had passed.

But instead of remarrying her he married another woman, who became wife No. 3.

The Voice of Experience denies the charge and is sure he will be completely vindicated.

**WHY PEOPLE
SWEAR**

SPEAKING AT GLOUCESTER ASSIZES MR. JUSTICE HAWKE SAID HE THOUGHT PEOPLE OFTEN USED BAD LANGUAGE BECAUSE THEY HAD A PAUCITY OF VOCABULARY AND WISHED TO GAIN TIME TO FORM THEIR THOUGHTS.

He was giving judgment in a libel action in which a man alleged that two other men had published a leaflet falsely accusing him of using bad language.

Mr. Justice Hawke said the leaflet was justified and that the language said to have been used by the man making the claim for damages was highly objectionable.

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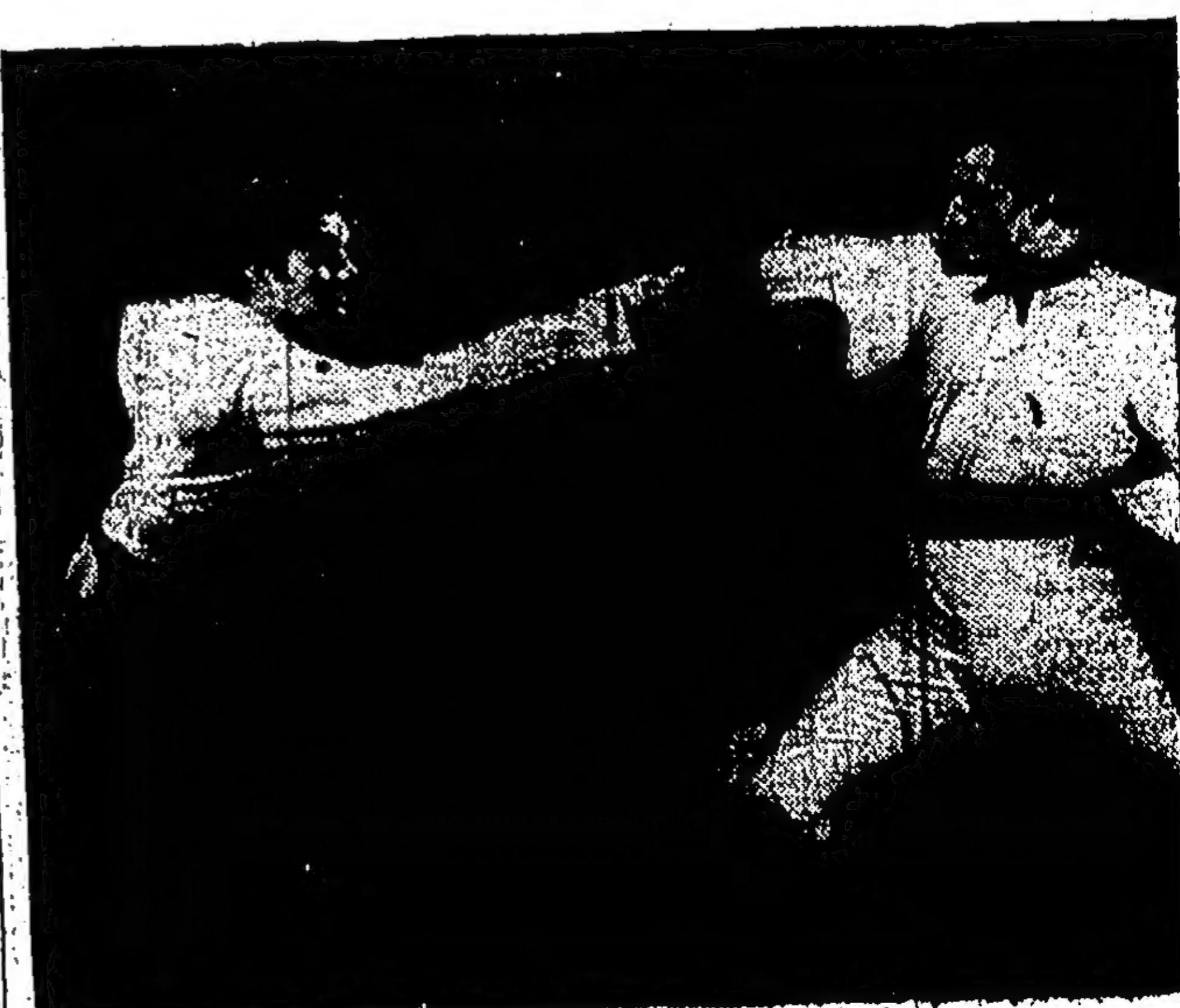
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CHINA MAIL
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EUROPEAN CONFEDERATION

From London recently has come the report that officials of the Polish and Czech governments in exile are engaged in what is termed the "first serious effort toward organising post-war Europe along the principles of voluntary cooperation."

Committees have been discussing a plan of Polish-Czech confederation since November and have now, apparently, reached the stage where they are considering the extension of this plan to other nations in central Europe.

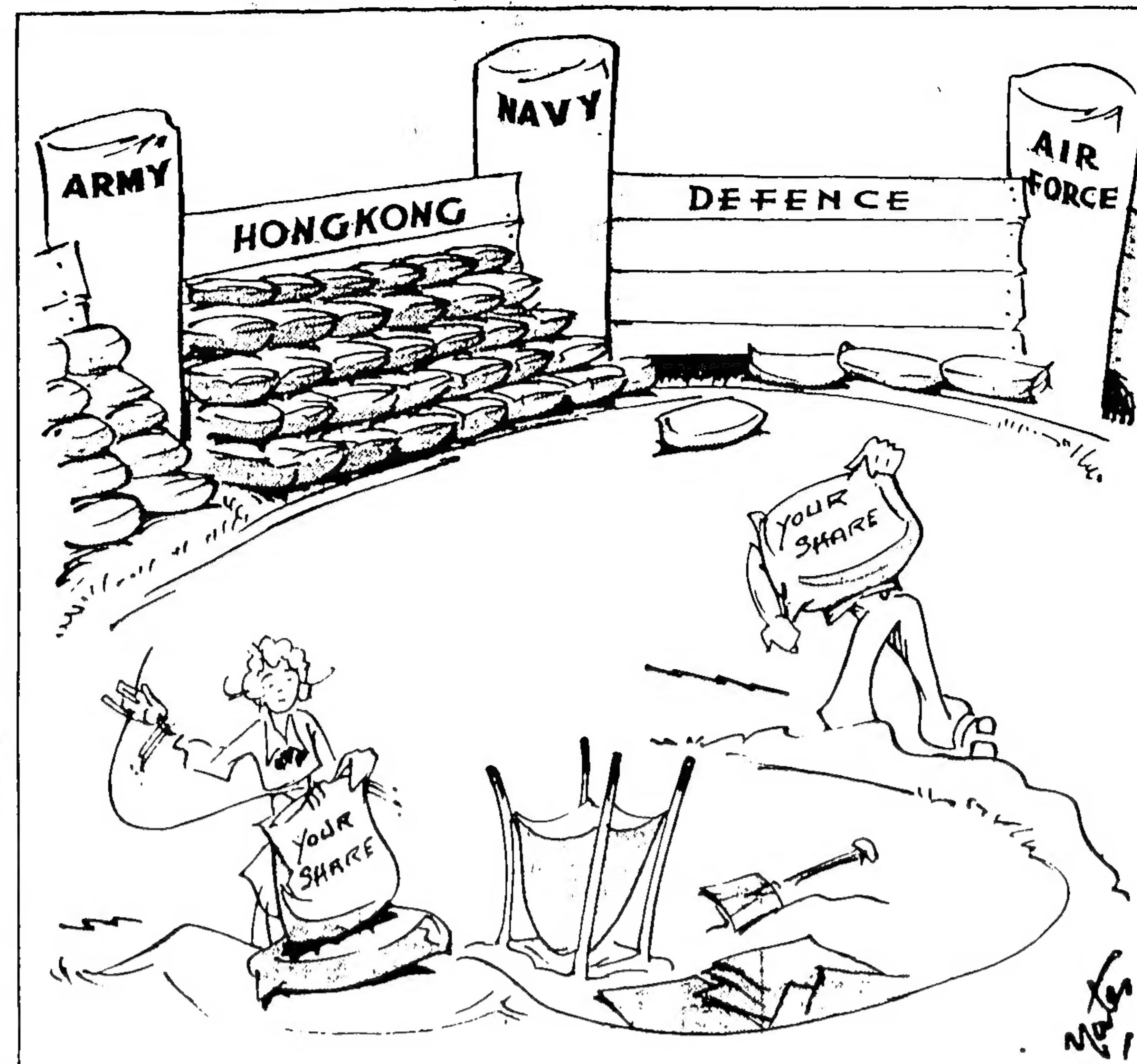
Against the glittering facade of the "new Europe" which Herr Hitler has erected with his planes and tanks, the efforts of the exiled statesmen seem, at first glance, pathetic. They have an idea, an idea which is slowly evolving in London amid the shattering crashes of Nazi bombs that mock their most earnest endeavours.

Hitler, too, has an idea; he dreams of a Europe that shall be tilled like a great estate for the benefit of the conquering German. And he has the force to put his idea into practice — indeed, he has already made his dream horribly real over much of a prostrate Continent.

But to do so he has cozened many of the European states into a game of "beggar my neighbour," which at last has ended with each realising that Hitler has beggared them all. He has played upon the acquisitive instinct with a sure touch, but so ruthlessly that the acquisitive instinct as a basis for statesmanship is quite discredited in every nation but Hitler's own.

The circle of the robbed and the duped is growing wider about the Reich; the area in which a constructive plan for real European confederation would be welcomed is spreading.

Doubtless there is little that can be done with such a plan at present except to lay down general principles of collaboration. But such principles would carry a message of hope to coerced peoples that might well be of extreme importance, even in a military sense, once Germany suffers a major strategic reverse. Battles may not be won with words and ideas, but they are powerful allies in winning a war.



EACH MAN AND WOMAN TO HIS OR HER PART

Democracy Still Reigns

By
Harold J. Laski

Two conferences met recently in England, the contrast between which was, I think, of extraordinary interest. The first was called the People's Convention, and its real inspiration was the Communist Party. It explained the need for a People's Government, it insisted that there must be an alliance with the Soviet Union, and it demanded a large number of drastic social reforms. But the key to its whole attitude was the argument that if a People's Government were to offer the German people a peace without annexation or indemnities they would desert Hitler, and we could at long last enter the promised land. It was very interesting to hear this view put forward by Communist leaders like Palme Dutt and Harry Pollitt. It is less than eighteen months since they were protesting passionately against appeasement. It is less than eighteen months, also, since Mr. Pollitt—the Earl Browder of Great Britain—was warning the Left against "mouthing revolutionary phrases" and explaining that there was no safety for the workers unless Hitler was overthrown. Now, it appears, a "People's Government" can secure something which eighteen years of international agitation in Italy and seven years agitation in Germany have not secured—an organised movement which will break Fascism in pieces.

I do not know what evidence Mr. Dutt and Mr. Pollitt have for their conclusion. Dictatorships usually fall in the aftermath of military defeat—that was true of both Napoleon and of Nicholas II. If the British Government offered such a peace to Hitler, on the facts, it would not only represent a great victory for him; it would be a victory for a man who has never yet kept any agreement he has ever made. That such a peace is possible at once if Nazism is overthrown, and the government which succeeds it agrees to restore to freedom the countries Fascism has conquered is common ground between all parties. I do not understand why Dr. Dutt and Mr. Pollitt imagine that it is otherwise. In the years of "appeasement" neither of them argued that Fascism, whether in its Italian or German form, could be overthrown unless its military power was broken. Neither of them brought forward a single argument to show that the situation has changed.

The Convention talked at great length of what a "People's Government" would do; but there was

a surprising silence upon the not unimportant problem of how it was to be secured. It cannot be obtained from the House of Commons; the by-elections do not suggest that the extreme left would win even a handful of seats. I believe that Messrs. Dutt and Pollitt, if they were straightforward, would have to tell us frankly that they expect to achieve their aim as Lenin and Trotsky did in 1917. Do they seriously imagine that while English men were fighting one another, Hitler would stand by with folded arms? Both they and Mr. Pritt, an ex-Labour M.P. whose hostility to the official Labour Party gives him the position of Fellow-Traveller No. 1 among British Communists, protested loudly their hatred of Hitler. How they imagine that their policy could have any other result than to present him with an overwhelming victory I do not profess to know. But it is an interesting comment on their loud assertion that democracy is dead in Britain that not only should a conference be held to expose the virtues of revolutionary defeatism, on the Russian model of 1917, as the way to peace, but also, that the organisers should be able to announce a great campaign to win support for their views.

The other conference was at Oxford and was held under the auspices of the National Peace Council, a federation of peace societies, varying from conservative bodies like the League of Nations Union to extreme pacifist organisations like the Peace Pledge Union. The members of the conference were mostly, I think, Liberals or socialists in outlook. The outstanding character of the conference was the complete absence of any word which implied hostility to the German people. Here were some 250 men and women, many of whom had been bombed continuously, all of whom, as social workers, clergymen, teachers, had come into grim contact with the results of bombing, and the one assurance for which they were searching was that there should be no attempt to punish the German masses for the sins of their rulers. That was, I thought, a heartening spectacle.

To all of them, too, it was clear that the military defeat of Germany was not enough; they wanted a programme for victory which was related to the making of a better social and international order. I was particularly im-

pressed by the immense importance most of the speakers attached to American cooperation in building the post-war world; and not least to the further fact that they stated again and again that the only way in which we could fairly expect American cooperation was by proving that we had begun that task of building a better world as the proof that we deserved what contribution American idealism can bring.

The attitude of almost everyone there was extraordinarily moving in its understanding of two things. The first was the immense importance they attached to civil and religious freedom; the second was their emphasis that neither of these was attainable without economic security and an increasing standard of life for the masses. It would be inaccurate to say that there was agreement about ways and means; the pacifist societies, in war as in peace, have each their special nostrum to expound, and each is a little amazed that it does not appear obvious to the others. But I wish I could convey in words the intensity of the general conviction this important body of social workers displayed that the vital business of this generation is to remake the ethical foundations of our civilisation, and their sense that the task is primarily one of remaking economic foundations. "We all agree" said the Chairman, a distinguished Nonconformist clergyman, "that the key to international peace is social justice."

I remark, too, that such conferences as these could to-day—it is a fact as lamentable as it is significant—only be held in British-speaking countries. No doubt there is much that is wrong with their social and economic life. But I confess that the spectacle, in war-time, whether in the quasi-Communist Conference in London, or the Peace Societies in Oxford, of some two thousand men and women able to discuss first principles, determined to criticise the War Cabinet, insistent on laying bare every error and crime of their country's policy, and assuming that this examination is an inescapable obligation—that is a heartening spectacle. It is evidence of a vital kind that public opinion is a living thing, that citizenship means, for these people, something more than the passive acceptance of orders from their rulers. So long as this temper prevails, so long the reality of British democracy is, I think, beyond the power even of ex-Ambassador Kennedy to deny.

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STORM OVER HESS' ADVICE TO GIRLS

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SCORES OF THOUSANDS of devout German mothers are reviling the name of Herr Rudolph Hess, Hitler's deputy, for bringing dishonour and shame on their households.

For the vicious harvest is now coming home of the iniquitous policy which he urged a year ago on the members of the Girls' Branch of the Hitler Youth Service.

On that occasion he pleaded with them to "keep alive the German race" by becoming the mothers of German soldiers' children without troubling to go through the formality of marriage.

With the aid of his eloquence he succeeded in persuading some scores of thousands of them that by having "love children" they would be doing something noble in the service of the nation.

He himself offered to become the godfather of every child that was born to an unmarried mother.

And now they are being born at the rate of 1,000 a week!

But not to happy girls who feel that they are gaining patriotic inspiration from their experience.

The girls to-day are miserable and disillusioned. They are discovering that many of the soldiers who obeyed the call of Herr Hess were men with wives elsewhere in Germany, men of whom they have not heard a word since they offered themselves as sacrifices in the cause of Hess's policy.

Many of them are having to go into workhouses for their children to be born. Thousands of them have been disowned by their own parents.

Many of them are penniless, having had to give up their employment in the factories and on the farms.

Their children, they know, will be taken care of in Nazi State orphanages after their own ordeal is over. But they are realising now, in many cases, that their prospects of real marriage at some time in the future are blighted.

And they feel that an ineradicable shame has cast its shadow over their households. They are protesting to their priests and pastors, and the churches are protesting to Hitler.

Although they realise that the harm that has already been done cannot be undone, they are pleading with the Fuehrer to disown Hess's policy and to

Feeling Of Shame

But it is the mothers of these unmarried mothers who are feeling the sadness of the situation most seriously. In the majority of cases they are good, God-fearing women, members of the Mothers' Union belonging to their church.

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ART GEMS BOUGHT BY POST

Air raids have started a flourishing new "mail order" business in antiques, jewels, stamps and rare books. Collectors are "bidding" by post at the West End sale-rooms.

Last week 1,500 postal commissions were received by a Bond Street firm for 541 lots.

Dealers are buying heavily for export to America. Nearly 80 per cent. of the plate sold under the hammer goes to the U.S.A. Thousands of pounds worth of pictures and manuscripts are being sent across the Atlantic.

Brisk bidding and high prices have returned after months of wartime slump.

But no one wants the antique furniture for which dealers and private collectors once strove to outbid each other.

A representative of Sotheby's, New Bond Street, told a reporter: "We had lots which were withdrawn from the summer sales because they did not reach the prices we had fixed for them. Now they have been sold for much more than the prices we then expected."

WAR JOB FOR 1,000 CATS

A THOUSAND KITTENS ARE TO BE RECRUITED TO HELP WIN THE WAR. SO MANY CATS HAVE BEEN DESTROYED OR EVACUATED FROM LONDON THAT RATS AND MICE ARE MULTIPLYING EVERYWHERE.

That's why, in the situations vacant column, this "want ad." appeared in a London newspaper: "Wanted, 1,000 male kittens."

Mr. Palmer, owner of a pets' store at Parkway, Camden Town, N.Y., has been asked by big firms, warehousemen and householders for kittens that can be trained to destroy vermin.

"We want them as quickly as possible," he told a reporter. "Male kittens are the best for this work."

STOLEN MESSERSCHMIDT

HUN DEBT TO A THIEF

GERMANY OWES her best fighter plane, the Messerschmidt 110, to plans stolen from the French before the war.

This was revealed by a Free French officer in London, concerned in initial experiments with the French machine.

The ME 110 is, he says, designed from the plans of the French Potez 63 fighter-bomber, which came into being two years before the ME, and the only essential difference is the greater speed of the Nazi machine, not surprising, since it is later.

Cannon Experiments

The ME 110 is a three-seater, as was the Potez 63. It has the same crew arrangements, the same arrangement and position of the fuselage and wings. The tall, squat and position of the engine

are the same. The depth of the wing is slightly larger in the centre section.

"In fact, the general dimensions and plans are exactly the same within 1 per cent," he said.

The ME 110 introduced canons, but this was forecast in the plans for the Potez. In which experiments were made with two canons instead of machine-guns.

The Potez fighter-bomber had four machine-guns, and so has the ME 110 fighter-bomber.

The plans of the Potez 63 were stolen from the aircraft works where the machines were being manufactured.



Romance in Old California styled by Tyrone Power and Linda Darnell. Greater than his triumphs in "Jesse James" and "In Old Chicago" is Tyrone's portrayal of the famous masked adventurer in "The Mark of Zorro," 20th Century-Fox film which is now at the King's Theatre. Linda is the beautiful tenorita who gives the bandit her love. With Basil Rathbone at the heads a superb supporting cast which also features Gale Sondergaard, Eugene Pallette and many others.

BRITISH "SPY" WANTED DUEL OVER A GIRL

(By O. D. Gallagher)

IF ELEGANT, care-free William Olaf de Wet, twenty-eight-year-old Briton, is a spy, then I am a Japanese. A German People's Court, it was announced in Berlin, sentenced de Wet to death last month for spying for France. The sentence had not yet been carried out, it was added.

I knew de Wet well. He was one of a small group of adventure-seekers whom I came across in one war city after another — Addis Ababa, Barcelona, Shanghai, Madrid.

In Addis Ababa in 1935 he appointed me his second for a duel. It happened in this way:

About fifty whites and moneyed Abyssinians were lined up on high stools at the bar of Mon Cone, a bar-cum-cinema run by a Greek.

A captain of the Belgian Military Mission attached to the Emperor of Abyssinia sat on one of the stools beside a liquid-eyed, honey-coloured, half-caste girl.

Ordered Off

When the Belgian left his stool de Wet took it and began talking to the girl.

The Belgian returned and peremptorily ordered de Wet to buzz off.

"I beg your pardon," said de Wet, looking down his aristocratic nose and over his bristling cavalryman's moustaches. "Who are you?"

In anger the Belgian slapped de Wet's face with his leather glove and shouted: "That is who I am."

De Wet clicked his heels, bowed slightly, and said: "You will hear from me M. le capitaine."

He came to me and said: "I will have a duel with him tomorrow morning. Will you be my second?"

"All right," I replied, treating it as a joke. "You can't use a sword, can you? No. Well, is it going to be pistols?"

It was to be pistols, and I had the job of finding a pair. Six a.m. was the time fixed, and when Mon Cone closed at four a.m. I met a countryman of mine — a South African — who said: "You'd never guess but the Belgian's appointed me his second."

We decided that if the duel took place the Belgian would kill de Wet. So we planned for them to fight with their fists — if they still felt like fighting at all at six a.m.

Shipped Home

The Belgian turned up — and at 10 a.m. we heard that de Wet was

GERMANS PLAN 'SHOW TRIAL'

An elaborate German "show trial," to be held after the war in an effort to reveal a world-wide Jewish-Masonic plot to kill many high Nazi leaders, is being organised by Heinrich Himmler, chief of the Gestapo (secret police), it was reported in Vichy.

Chief figure of the contemplated trial is Herschel Grynszpan, 19-year-old Polish Jew whose assassination of a minor German diplomat in Paris ten months before the start of the war touched off Germany's unprecedented anti-Jewish reprisals of November, 1938.

Grynszpan, now in prison in Berlin, broke into the German Embassy in Paris and killed Baron Ernst von Rath, third secretary, who received a State "martyr's" funeral in Germany and bitter Nazi reprisals including a huge fine against Germany's Jews.

Report from Germany mentioned the name of Mayor La Guardia of New York in connection with the contemplated trial, but it was not revealed what connection the Mayor — frequent target of German attacks allegedly had with Grynszpan's crime and the purported international plot.

OPIUM MEN FINED

The police are now getting a grip on opium smoking in Liverpool, it was stated, when five Chinese seamen were fined at Liverpool for opium offences at a boarding-house in Nelson Street.

Low Ah-keng, aged 29, one of the men, told the court that had he not smoked opium he would have been in the grave by now.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 1st April to 15th April, 1941 both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO. LTD.,
General Managers,
24th March, 1941.

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The Undersigned have received instructions from the liquidators and others to sell by Public Auction on

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 12th and MONDAY, 14th APRIL, 1941, commencing at 11.30 a.m. on both days.

The First Bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m.

The tiffin interval will be after the fourth race on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel 27794) will close at 9.45 a.m. on both days.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 per day including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th April, 1941.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting to be held (weather permitting) on Saturday, 26th April, 1941, may be obtained from the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on THURSDAY, 17th April, 1941.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th April, 1941.

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BRIDGE NOTES

Bridge Swindles —

No. 34

By The Four Aces

To-day's Bridge Swindle is as neat a bit of chicanery as we've seen in many a long day:

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

♦ Q 10 2	♦ Q J 10 7
♦ K 8 2	♦ 8 6 3
♦ A 7 4	♦ N 6 3
♦ 8 5 4 2	♦ A 9 6 3
♦ Q J 10 3	♦ 9 7 6 5
♦ A J 9	♦ K Q 7

♠ A K J 8 5 2
♦ K
♦ A 4
♦ 10 6 4 2

The bidding
South West North East
1♠ Pass 2♦ Pass
4♠ Pass Pass Pass

We opened the Queen of diamonds, and South indulged in a moment's thought before he played the first card from the dummy. Was there any chance, he wondered, of getting the King of hearts through without the loss of a heart trick? Certainly, if he lost a heart trick the jig was up. The enemy would surely shift to clubs and defeat the contract before he could get discards on dummy's hearts. How could he talk them out of it?

In much less time than it takes to report, the solution dawned upon him. He played a low diamond from the dummy, and then casually played a low diamond from his own hand! West naturally assumed that his partner had the Ace of diamonds, so continued with the Jack of diamonds; and much to everyone's amazement, South turned up with the diamond Ace.

Declarer next cashed the spade Ace and led a small trump to dummy's ten, thus exhausting trumps. The King of diamonds was then led from dummy, and South discarded the King of hearts! The next lead from the dummy was the Queen of hearts, and East was helpless. Whether he covered with his Ace or played a low heart, South was sure to get two club discards. South therefore lost only one diamond and two clubs instead of one heart and three clubs.

* * *

Saturday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♦ A Q 10 6 3
♦ 7 2
♦ Q 10 4
♦ A Q 9

The bidding:
You Jacoby Schenken Mate
1♠ Pass 2♦ Pass

ANSWER: Bid two spades. You have very little more than a minimum opening bid and cannot afford to make the strong rebid of two "no-trump," or any other strong rebid, for that matter. If partner cannot keep going, there should be no game in the hand.

Score 100% for two spades, 40% for two no-trump.

Question No. 689

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

You Jacoby Schenken Mate
1♠ Pass 2♦ Pass

2♠ Pass 3♦ Pass

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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MONDAY — MONDAY
12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—Primo Scala's Piano Accordion Band. You Needn't Have Kept It A Secret (De Murela & Others); In The Mountains of the Moon (Roberts & Others); Go To It! (from "Music while you work"); When Shall We Two Meet Again (Kennedy & Others); Whoops We Go Again (Harvey).

12.45 p.m.—Community Singing.

Let's All Join The Chorus With Tommy Handley and His Pals—in Daisy Bell; Don't Dilly Dally on the Way; Nellie Dean; Oh, you beautiful Doll; The Spaniard that blighted my life; Hello, Hello, who's your lady friend; At Trinity Church; Lily of Laguna; The Man who broke the Rank; Knees up Mother Brown; Tommy Handley and His Pals with Orch.

Let's All Sing Like The Birdies Sing; She was One of The Early Birds; In The Shade of the Old Apple Tree; The Chestnut Tree; The Audience of the Paramount Theatre, London, led by Al Bollington at the Organ.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal.

1.01 p.m.—A Victor Herbert Programme. Kiss Me Again, Gypsy Love Song; Albee Sandler Trio Sweethearts (from "The Life of Victor Herbert"); Allan Jones (Vocals) with Orch.

Al Fresco (Intermezzo from "It Happened in Nordland"); Fleurette Harry Horlick & His Orchestra Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life (from "Naughty Marietta"); Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) and Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.

Habanera and Vaquero's Song (from "Natoma"); Harry Horlick & His Orchestra; Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orchestra Air De Ballet Harry Horlick & His Orchestra When You're Away; Charles Kullman (Tenor) with Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Schubert—Quintet in A Major ("Trout"), Op. 114. Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano), Mangeot (Violin), Howard (Viola), Withers (Cello) and Hobday (Double-Bass).

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

Swing Fox-Trots—Smoke Gets In Your Eyes, Night and Day; Tommy Dorsey & His Orchestra Fox-Trots—Angels with dirty faces; Between a Kiss and a sigh; Tommy Dorsey & His Orchestra Quickstep Light Up Your Face With A Smile Wally Bishop & His Band Waltz Lover, Your Smiles, Your Tears Harry Horlock & His Orchestra Fox-Trot When June Comes, Slow Fox-Trot—Rainbow Valley Joe Loss & His Band.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Talk: "Working Together".

7.30 p.m.—Hill Billy Music.

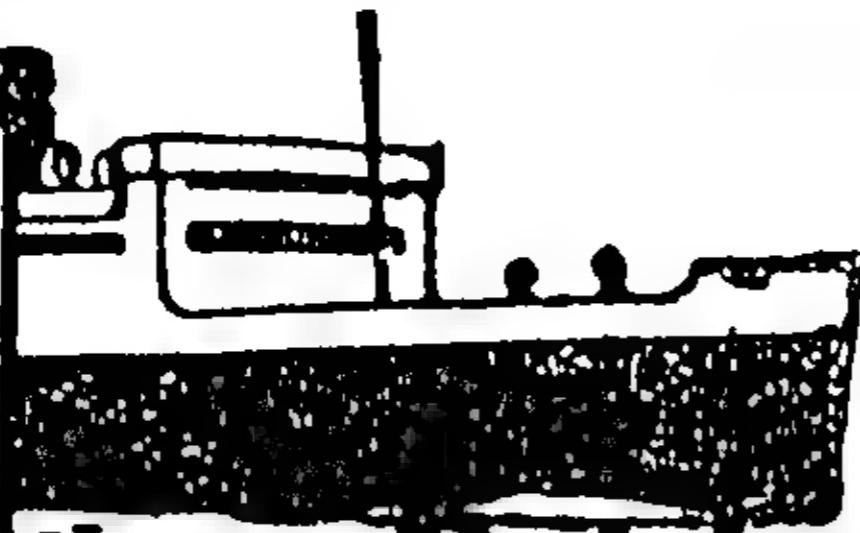
The Strawberry Roan (Fletcher & Others); The Lonesome Trail Ain't Lonesome Any More (Trafford); Big Bill Campbell and His Hill Billy Band with Vocal Chorus.

Hill Billy Songs—Medley. Intro: Open up den Pearly Gates; Will the Angels Play Their Harps; Casey Jones; Bury Me Not on the Lone Prairie; Hallelujah, I'm a Bum; Barnacle Bill; Why Did I Get Married; Naw, I don't Wanna be Rich; Cowgirl's Prayer; Hand Me Down My Walking Cane... Carson Robinson & His Pioneers.

All Set and Saddles; The Oregon Trail... Tex Morton (The Yodelling Boundary Rider) with His Guitar.

7.50 p.m.—Al Bollington at the Organ.

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At the height of an air raid, when a first-aid post was being dive-bombed, a nurse went from cot to cot and stretcher to stretcher singing cheerfully as she attended the patients.

This incident during a heavy raid on Sheffield was mentioned in a report to the city council by Councilor W. Ashbury, chairman of Sheffield Emergency Committee.

"Her coolness and courage were outstanding and of great value in maintaining the morale of the injured," he says.

The report tells of many acts of heroism by Civil Defence workers.

When a bomb exploded and buried a first-aid party, he says, one of the party prodded a patient by throwing himself over the patient's body, and was killed by falling masonry.

A warden worked under debris for hours to rescue four people. Another warden made a tunnel into a cellar under a fractured and blazing gas main, burrowing with his hand, to rescue five people.

SHE DROVE HUSBAND OUT OF A.R.P.

Selfish wives who cannot realise that in wartime the home must sometimes take second place to the call of duty, have an unpatriotic champion in a West Country town.

Because her husband, a part-time A.R.P. volunteer, had refused to carry her complaints about prolonged duty spells to his superior executive, she went herself to tackle the A.R.P. controller.

Her husband, she said, was not to use his own car to travel to duty, but was to be fetched and brought home by a messenger car, and then only at a "red" warning.

He must not do more than four hours duty at a stretch and must be allowed to go home to see she was safe if there was a blitz.

The man had qualified for an important executive post, so the controller tried to please the wife, but she would have no half-measures. The husband faced with an impossible situation, resigned.

CANADIAN'S JOKE NETTED HIM A BRIDE

A group of Canadians in a provincial town visited a store and caused much amusement by trying on women's hair nets.

Miss Elsie Holton, a twenty-year-old shorthand-typist, of Merrow Street, Walworth, was among the customers in the store who enjoyed the joke.

One Canadian returned her smile. That smile began a whirlwind courtship.

And now at St. Peter's Church, Walworth, Miss Holton has been married to the Canadian soldier—twenty-three-year-old Alban Beaudry, of the Royal Canadian Corps of Signallers.



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NO. 3 COY. BEAT SAPPERS

In a most enjoyable and even match, No. 3 (M.G.) Company, H.K.V.D.C., yesterday beat Royal Engineers, winners of the Army Large Units Knock-Out Competition by 21 runs in the whole-day cricket match.

The Volunteers batted first under trying conditions and very difficult light, but after having 133 runs on the board for the loss of only two wicket, Denyer, among the wickets, and only a brilliant innings of 40 not out by T. A. Midar enabled them to total 165.

Matthews also played a valuable innings for No. 3 Company and, with Mackay, added 49 runs for the second wicket. Denyer's crease was very erratic but his spinners brought him six wickets.

Sappers started their innings well, Shaw batted correctly for 20 and then Ratcliffe, who has had a splendid season, hit triumphantly for 61. The remainder of the Brighton batsmen, however, failed against the steady bowling of the Zimmern brothers, and the spanners of Way and after being 108 for 3, the whole side were out for 144.

Francis Zimmern, who was the only regular bowler on the Volunteer side, kept at his task gallantly and bowled 17 overs under very trying conditions. The fielding was exceptionally good. Matthews standing out with brilliant work in various positions.

NO 3 COMPANY, H.K.V.D.C.

D. Liang, lbw, b Holliday	11
C. N. Matthews, b Tropp	33
N. A. E. Mackay, b Holliday	38
A. Zimmern, c Pelham, b Tropp	4
F. H. Zimmern, b Denyer	7
L. B. Holmes, b Denyer	2
T. A. Midar, not out	40
F. Zimmern, b Denyer	3
C. H. White, c and b Denyer	3
W. K. Way, c Ratcliffe, b Denyer	4
A. Hung, b Denyer	5
Extras (B13, WB1, NB1)	15
Total	165

Bowling Analysis

	O	M	R	W
Tropp	7	1	28	2
Holliday	8	1	34	2
Denyer	13.1	1	68	6
Shaw	4	0	13	0
Ratcliffe	3	0	7	0

ROYAL ENGINEERS

Cpl. Shaw, c and b F. R. Zimmern	20
Sgt. Tropp, lbw, b F. R. Zimmern	7
Spr. Ratcliffe, b F. R. Zimmern	61
L/Cpl. Pelham, c and b Way	4
Sgt. Denyer, b F. R. Zimmern	4
Spr. Bailey, not out	18
Lieut. Holliday, b F. R. Zimmern	2
Spr. Goss, c Midar, b Way	0
S/Sgt. Kihoe, lbw, b Way	0
Cpl. Taylor, run out	4
Spr. Martin, c F. R. Zimmern, b Way	0
Extras (B13, WB1)	14
Total	144

Bowling Analysis

	O	M	R	W
F. R. Zimmern	17	4	51	5
A. Zimmern	7	0	28	0
W. K. Way	10.1	0	41	4
Mackay	1	0	10	0

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Mr. Wendell Willkie, with the Mayor and the Bishop of Coventry, inspecting the air raid damage to historic Coventry Cathedral. The town has twice this week received the attention of large formations of German bombers. (Copyright, Fox.)

A.R.P. MEN GIVE BOY OF 11 A MEDAL

"PRESENTED TO John Downing for acting like a true Englishman during the raid on — [a West Midlands town] by wardens of Post F.5." That is the inscription on a gold medal presented to an eleven-year-old boy. For hours he held his sister and her playmates above water escaping under the stairs of their bomb-damaged home.

Then, after being trapped for twenty-one hours, he attracted attention by poking a Union Jack out of a hole in the wreckage.

A.F.P. workers rescued them, but the boy's sister died after

The Duke of Kent inspected the medal during his visit to the bombed areas.

He was told of the shy, pale boy who was at home with his father, mother, seven-year-old sister and her playmates, when there was a direct hit on their house.

The father and mother, who were upstairs, were killed. John is now being cared for by a relative, Mrs. Stevens, of Redditch Road, King's Norton.

BEAT BOMBS WITH STOCKINGS

Cast-off silk stockings and panties can help to fight Hitler's incendiary bombs.

Mr. Bill Mather divisional head warden at Brighton, has invented a silk stocking fire extinguisher which costs nothing. Every woman can use it.

He gave a demonstration in the street outside his house in Cannon-place, Brighton. He showed women how to put out an incendiary with a stocking "snuffer."

"One or two well aimed at the incendiary will soon put it out," he explained.

He sews up the top of an old stocking, cuts off the foot, fills it with about 10lb. of dry sand, then ties it up like a small sandbag.

The stocking bursts on falling and covers the bomb with dry sand.

Two or three should be kept handy on every floor of the house so that no time is wasted. Panties full of sand will do the job just as well.

Mr. Charles Birch, Chief of Brighton Fire Brigade, has asked each housewife to keep a sandbag in her front porch to put out incendiaries.

'SENTRIES' GUARD MILK

"Milk watchers" have been organised in Manchester to break a racket that is robbing babies of their breakfast—the theft from door-steps every morning in the black-out of hundreds of bottles of their breakfast—the theft from door-steps every morning in the black-out of hundreds of bottles of milk.

Women have organised the watching system themselves. In whole streets over a wide area the milk has been disappearing soon after the milkman's call.

Collection By Car?

At first it was thought that children or youths were responsible, but when one distributing depot reported 5,000 bottles missing in one week it was realised that this was organised crime.

It is believed that men are working the district with a car, systematically collecting milk for resale.

"I have missed my milk several times," said Mrs. Hilda Poole, mother of five children, who lives in Tonge Street, Ardwick.

"Now we have decided that one of us shall stand at the door when the milkman calls and collect all the milk for the street and take it inside."

PUT LIGHTS ON TO LEAD BOMBERS

An R.A.F. pilot who cruised over an enemy target in Norway with his lights on to guide other pilots to the objective, is awarded the D.S.O. in a new list of R.A.F. awards.

For the first time pilots of night fighters over Britain figure in the list of honours.

Hero of the Norway incident was Wing-Commander Richard Angus McMurtie, D.F.C., who led three bombing missions against a target over sixty miles inside the country. He was born at Monkseaton, Northumberland, in 1909.

While an R.A.F. bomber was attacking the enemy submarine base at Lorient, an anti-aircraft shell burst in the navigator's cockpit.

It seriously wounded the navigator, and destroyed maps and charts, but in spite of the damage the machine was brought safely home.

The pilot was Sergeant Anthony Jackson, R.A.F.V.R., and the wireless operator-gunner was Sergeant George Wannan Turner, R.A.F.V.R.

Wounded, Landed

Sergeants Jackson and Turner are awarded the D.F.M.

Sergeant Peter Frederic Jackson, R.A.F.V.R., who gets the D.F.M., was the pilot of a fighter plane on patrol one night last month, and while closing in to attack a night raider he was fired on and badly cut about the head.

Though able to see with only one eye because of blood, he made a safe landing at his base in poor visibility and without wireless aid.

Sergeant Jackson was born at Putney in 1919. His wife lives at West Norwood.

Acting Flight-Lieutenant George Patterson Christie, who has destroyed at least seven enemy aircraft, receives a bar to the D.F.C.

MURDER CHARGE REMAND

James Caine Forbes McCallum, twenty, provost-corporal in the Canadian Army, was remanded at Bow Street Police Court on a charge of murdering Morris Scholman, forty-one, a barman at the Horses public-house, Wellington Street, Covent Garden.

Divisional Detective-Inspector Capstick said he told McCallum that he was suspected of murdering a barman. He replied: "I will tell you all about it later." He afterwards added, "I did not fully murder him." He was cautioned, and then made a written statement.

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CONFUSION BAY'S BIG TEST TO-DAY

By "Rapier"

The main event on to-day's racing programme will be the Easter Stakes, at 1 p.m.

Before discussing this important event, which will be contested over a mile, it is of interest to see what the results have been over the past three seasons:

1938 won by Desert Chief (Mr. Encarnacion).

1939 won by Rose Elect (Mr. Encarnacion).

1940, won by Burford (Mr. H. C. Pih) and Confusion Bay (Mr. Black), which dead-heated.

Burford has not been entered for to-day and in its absence it would appear that Mr. T. K. Li's Confusion Bay, the Champion China pony Griffin, will battle out the finish against the Circassian candidates, Racylight (Mr. Wei), Spicylight (Mr. Pih) and Velvetlight (Mr. Chao).

Confusion Bay has to concede Racylight, which is considered the best among the Circassian ponies. Thus, however, should not greatly interfere with Confusion Bay's prospects of winning as it is a big-hearted pony accustomed to carrying heavy weights. On the other hand, Racylight has a good chance of winning as the distance is only one mile, which it is quite capable of completing at practically the same speed, as evidence of which it may be recalled that it won the Victoria Stakes at the Annual Meeting in 1940.

The only other entry of importance is O-Lan, but, good as it undoubtedly is, I cannot see it beating the above two ponies.

However, with the cream of the China ponies in this race, I find it difficult to say with any degree of certainty, which one is likely to win, but I expect the finish to be a really exciting one. Punters have three outstanding ponies on which to place their bets: Confusion Bay (Mr. Black), Racylight (Mr. Wei) and O-Lan (Mr. Needa), and they need look no further than one of these to pay the winning dividend.

TO-DAY'S HANDICAPS

The following are the handicaps for to-day's 12 events:

Sydney Handicap, First Section, Six Furlongs: A Good Time, 135; Amber II, 140; Annabella, 159; Bredon, 159; Circé, 152; Longdon, 149; National Victory, 149; Quick Dispatch, 159; Rhang Star, 149; Roudy, 159; Spring Shine, 159; Winne, 159.

Kellett Handicap, First Section, 1½ Miles: Blue Diamond, 140; Eve of Folly, 152; Eve of Peace, 149; Expansion Time, 140; Jennifer, 152; Jober, 150; King Kong, 149; Lancashire Lass, 152; Peacock View, 152; Rob Roy, 152; Rose June, 140; Thirty Six, 150; Wonderful Scheme, 152; Smashing Through, 152.

Cabramatta Handicap, First Section, Six Furlongs: A Roaring Time, 152; Australian Prince, 145; Catterick Bridge, 148; Centre Court, 145; Cheerful Star, 145; Derby Day, 152; Double Fine, 145; Flyer, 152; Duthieham, 152; Franklin, 152; Income Tax, 152; Raoul, 152; Shuttlecock, 142; Warrego River, 145.

Aldbury Handicap, From The 1½ Mile Post: Baffin Bay, Barred Brown, Derby, 135; Castle Hill, 152; Distant View, 149; Endeavour, 145; Flying Fortress, 152; Lancashire Chips, 135; Many Thanks, 135; Sapper, 159; United Express, 147; Vanity Fair, 136.

Note: If "Sapper" does not accept the following weights will apply.—Baffin Bay, Barred Brown, Derby, 135; Castle Hill, 152; Distant View, 159; Endeavour, 152; Flying Fortress, 152; Lancashire Chips, 135; Many Thanks, 139; United Express, 154; Vanity Fair, 140.

Wattle Park Handicap, Six Furlongs: A Surprising Time, 149; Bendemeer, 138; Black Seal, 145; Corsair, 140; Happy Returns, 146; Jus Gentium, 162; King's Flight, 149; Lex Fori, 138; Mainsail, Barred; Manhattan, 150; Maple Leaf, 142; Moonlight, 152; National Welfare, 145; Optima Fide, 152; Santa Anita, 143.

Kellett Handicap, Second Section, 1½ Miles: Advancing Time, 148; Emergency Unit, 142; Galveston Bay, 155; Jane Doe, 152; Just In Time, 141; Musketeer, 147; Night Express, 152; Odeon, 157; Patricia, 145; Raconteur, 149; Rose Evelyn, 141; Rose Flora, 152; So Nice, 146.

Sydney Handicap, Second Section, Six Furlongs: Amusement Tax, 149; Canberra, 149; Iron Belle, 145; King's Welcome, 152;

RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

Race No. 1

LONGDON

BREDON

CIRCE

Outsider:—National Victory.

Race No. 2

JOBER

KING KONG

JENNIFER

Outsider:—Thirty Six.

Race No. 3

CHEERFUL STAR

CATTERICK BRIDGE

SHUTTLECOCK

Outsider:—Derby Day.

Race No. 4

CONFUSION BAY

RACYLIGHT

VELVETLIGHT

Outsider:—Spicylight.

Race No. 5

FLEETWING

MARSH WARBLER

VIT. MAJOR

Outsider:—Mountain View.

Race No. 6

UNITED EXPRESS

DISTANT VIEW

SUPER

Outsider:—Vanity Fair.

Race No. 7

VITAMIN M

THE KOALA BEAR

BONA VACANIA

Outsider:—Seventy Six.

Race No. 8

MANHATTAN

MOONLIGHT

KING'S FLIGHT

Outsider:—A Surprising Time.

Race No. 9

GALVESTON BAY

EMERGENCY UNIT

ADVANCING TIME

Outsider:—Night Express.

Race No. 10

KING'S WELCOME

MAN-O'-WAR

NATIONAL REFORM

Outsider:—Canberra.

Race No. 11

ANGEL OF GLORY

SEAL RIVER

CORRIEDOO

Outsider:—Bendigo.

Race No. 12

NOMINE POENAE

GRACEFUL VIEW

HASCOSSAY

Outsider:—Bruno.

DAILY DOUBLE:—FLEETWING and VITAMIN M.

SYLVANDALE DESTROYED

Sylvandale, a 1935 China pony griffin, owned by Mr. A. H. Potts, which sustained a fractured pelvis when it fell outside the paddock during the running of the Taiwan Bay Handicap on Saturday, had to be destroyed yesterday morning, the "China Mail" was informed this morning.

Mr. G. W. Cooper, the novice jockey who took Sylvandale out in this event, was thrown but fortunately sustained no injury.

To the end of the 1940 season Sylvandale had won \$6,725 in stakes money.

MR. DAVIS SUSPENDED

The following notice was posted at the Jockey Club yesterday:—

"As a result of an inquiry held by the Stewards into the reported incidents during the running of the above race, Mr. P. Y. T. Wei was severely reprimanded and Mr. W. H. S. Davis was suspended from riding in races for the remainder of the first half of the 1941 Racing Season."

As reported in the "Sunday Herald," a Stewards' Enquiry was held after the Hongham Bay Handicap (Second Section) in which race Mr. W. G. Poy, on Rose Emily, was unseated just after the field had come into the straight for the run home.

Man-O'-War, 149; National Reform, 149; Radio Decidedly, 149; Riverside, 149; Subpoena, 145; Tropical Love, 145; Vanguard, 149; Cabramatta Handicap, Second Section, Six Furlongs:—Bruno, 135; Cockleroi, 142; Graceful View, 147; HascoSSay, 152; Locust Stand, 151; Maple Star, 138; Misty View, 151; Mountain View, 158; National Courage, 152; Nomine Poenae, 150; Sea Joy, 145; The Nineteenth Hole, Barred; Vis Major, 152;

1941 FORM GUIDE

Following is a complete survey of racing at the Valley this year, giving the time, first three ponies, their jockeys and weights, won by and when—A.M. stands for Annual Meeting, and 1 or 2 means first or second day. E.I. represents First Extra Race Meeting, etc.

AUSTRALIAN PONIES "A" CLASS

1 MILE 171 YARDS

144.3—Sapper (Davis, 150) Record; 2. Distant View (Pih, 152); 3. Viceroy (Black, 140); 2½ lengths and 1½ lengths E.2.

TWO MILES

144.3—Baffin Bay (Chao, 159) Record; 2. Australian Diamond (Chang, 159); 3. Triumphant Day (Liang, 140); 2 and many E.3 (1).

AUSTRALIAN GRIFFINS, 1941

HALF MILE 170 YARDS

141.1—The Nineteenth Hole (Hearne, 142); 2. King's Welcome (Black, 142); 3. Misty View (Pih, 144); Two and ½ E.3 (1).

ONE MILE

141.0—Mainsail (Hearne, 149); 2. Lex Fori (Sokoloff, 152); 3. A Surprising Time (Black, 152); 4 and many A.M.4.

1½ MILES

141.0—United Express (Ip, Kul-ying, 152); 2. Tian Tien Sung (150); 3. Casino (Tung Man-wa, 149); Many and 2 A.M.2.

2 MILES

141.0—Lex Fori (Sokoloff, 152); 2. Sydney Lady (Hearne, 152); 3. Bugle (Moller, 149); 1½ and 1 A.M.4.

1 MILE 171 YARDS

141.0—A Surprising Time (Black, 152); 2. Black Seal (Moller, 152); 3. Starlight (Botelho, 144); 4 and ½ E.3 (1).

1½ MILES

141.0—Dutch Treat (Botelho, 152); 2. Dutch Treat (Botelho, 152); 3. Starlight (Pih, 150); 4 and many A.M.3.

2 MILES

141.0—Lex Fori (Sokoloff, 152); 2. Sydney Lady (Hearne, 152); 3. Starlight (Botelho, 150); 4 and ½ A.M.2.

1¾ MILES

141.0—Never-Never (Black, 152); 2. Santa Anita (Liang, 152); 3. Corsair (Botelho, 149); 2 and many A.M.4.

2 MILES

141.0—Never-Never (Black, 152); 2. Santa Anita (Liang, 152); 3. Corsair (Botelho, 149); 2 and many A.M.4.

2½ MILES

141.0—Never-Never (Black, 152); 2. Santa Anita (Liang, 152); 3. Corsair (Botelho, 149); 2 and many A.M.4.

3 MILES

141.0—Never-Never (Black, 152); 2. Santa Anita (Liang, 152); 3. Corsair (Botelho, 149); 2 and many A.M.4.

3½ MILES

141.0—Never-Never (Black, 152); 2. Santa Anita (Liang, 152); 3. Corsair (Botelho, 149); 2 and many A.M.4.

4 MILES

141.0—Never-Never (Black, 152); 2. Santa Anita (Liang, 152); 3. Corsair (Botelho, 149); 2 and many A.M.4.

4½ MILES

141.0—Never-Never (Black, 152); 2. Santa Anita (Liang, 152); 3. Corsair (Botelho, 149); 2 and many A.M.4.

5 MILES

141.0

ROYALS DESERVE WIN OVER POLICE; PLAY WELL

Bankier Plays A Brilliant Game In Goal
North And Ferrier Shine For Police

By "Sportshawk"

THE LAST FIRST DIVISION LEAGUE SOCCER MATCH OF THE SEASON WAS PLAYED AT BOUNDARY STREET YESTERDAY, WHEN ROYAL SCOTS DEFEATED POLICE BY THE ODD GOAL IN FIVE, AFTER LEADING BY TWO CLEAR GOALS AT THE INTERVAL.

Police were without the services of Gough, their pivot, and Parker. Royals were full value for their victory, although the score might have suggested that it was an even game.

Police never appeared to be a winning combination and were always kept in the own half until the later stages of the second period, when they improved some what and raided the Royals' goal several times.

Bankier, keeper for Royals, played a very safe game throughout. His high handling and clever anticipation were worth watching. However, he was responsible for the goal scored by Chan Tat-fai, as he ran out and was not able to return to his charge, Chan netting with an open goal before him.

Naysmith and Fraser were a pair of sound backs. They both kept the Police forwards out, while Parnaby played a scheming game in the pivotal position.

Hossack Shines

Outstanding in the Royals' attack were Hossack, the former Colony interpreter, Auld and Munro. Hossack was speedy and showed good foot-work, but he failed several times through wild shootings when in possession. The latter two players combined very well and were a constant source of worry to Police defence.

For Police, Chang Wing played up to his best standard between the sticks and was responsible for several saves, while Blackburn was the mainstay of the defence.

Pope, usually a right-half, appeared uncomfortable in the pivotal position. He played a hard game, however, and sent several good and accurate passes to his forwards which they were unable to turn to account. North was perhaps the best half for Police, holding his own very well.

Ferrier was the schemer in the Police attack but was inclined to hang on too long to the ball, but Howlett was out of the picture for most of the time. Moss discharged his duties on the left-wing quite well but was slowed in the second period.

Munro scored the opening goal for Royals not long after the start and Auld added another before the interval.

Powerful Shot

In the middle stage of the second period, Hossack sent in a powerful shot, which Chang Wing pushed against the post for the ball to bounce into the net.

About 15 minutes from the end, Bankier, keeper for Royals, chased the ball to the half-back line and was unable to return, Chan Tat-fai scoring easily.

A short while later, Police were awarded a free-kick just outside the penalty area and Pope converted.

ROYAL SCOTS—Bankier; Naysmith and Fraser; Adamson, Parnaby and Marshall; Hossack, James, Auld, Munro and Larkins.

POLICE—Chang Wing; Blackburn and Chan Kwong-yu; Mak Hon-fan, Pope and North; Chan Tat-fai, Ferrier, Howlett, Coul and Moss.

SOUTH CHINA—Tam Kwan-kon; Tsang Chung-wan, Lee Kwok-wai; Lau Hing-choi, Lam Tak-po, Tse Kam-hung; Lee Tak-kei, Lau Chung-sang, Lee Walton, Chow Man-chi and Lee Shok-yau.

THE REST—Bankier (Royal Scots); Roughley (Navy), Blackburn (Police); Freshwater (Middlesex), Hsu King-shing (Eastern), Thomas (Middlesex); Fowler (Club); Fung King-cheong (Sing Tao), Hendy (Navy), Barber (Navy) and Hau Ching-to (Eastern).

RESERVES—Lapsley and Maxwell (Kowloon), Fraser (Royal Scots), Bright (Middlesex), Soong Ling-sing (Sing Tao), Lee Page (Navy), Howlett and Ferrier (Police) and Renssen (Club).

TO-DAY'S IMPORTANT SOCCER GAME

The play-off for the Third Division title between Royal Air Force and Royal Corps of Signals will be played this afternoon at Sookunpoo at 2.30 p.m.

South China, first division champions, will meet a team chosen from the rest of the Club in an exhibition game at 4 p.m. after which the trophies for the three divisions will be distributed. By Mrs. M. K. Lo, Vice-president of the Hong Kong Football Association.

FAIRMAUS REFEREE SUSPENDED

Because he had officiated as a referee without renewing his certificate, Mr. Harry Nattrass, of Sunderland, has been suspended by the Durham

Football Association from taking any further part in the game as a referee.

This decision of the Emergency Committee has been forwarded to

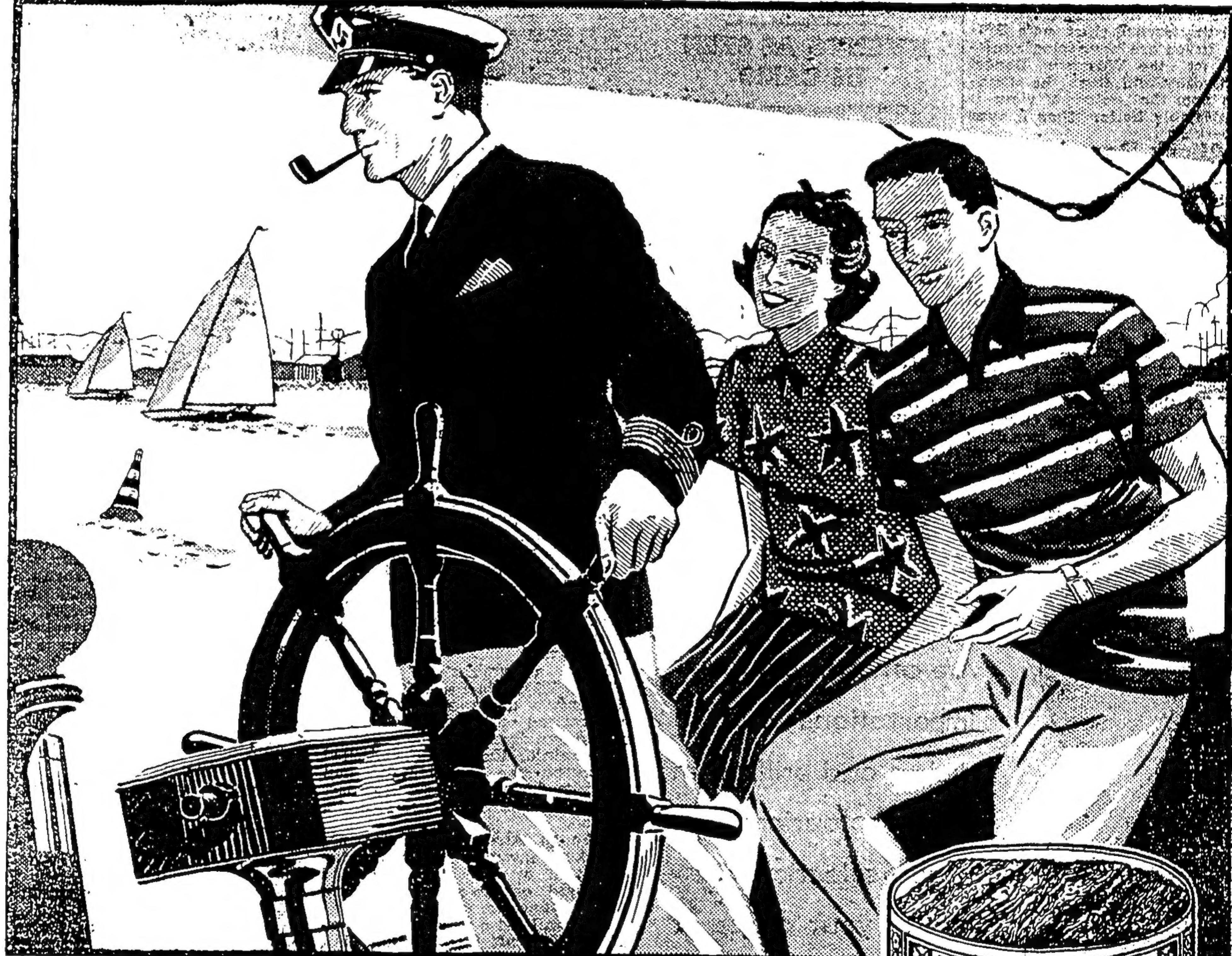
the Football Association, the Football League, and the Northumbrian and Durham wartime League.

Mr. Nattrass is one of the best known football referees in the North-East.

A few years ago he had charge of an F.A. Cup Final and has also officiated at important matches in Ireland.

It is understood that although he failed to renew his certificate of affiliation he has officiated at Regional League matches at Middlesbrough and Newcastle this season and also at two Northumbrian and Durham League games.

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SWIFT NAZI ADVANCE

Capture Bardia And Fighting Around Sollum

WIDE NAZI DETOUR TO EFFECT COUP

SWIFT MOVEMENTS on the Libyan war front, with fighting now proceeding in the neighbourhood of the Egyptian frontier at Port Sollum, were revealed in well-informed quarters in Cairo last night.

It was learned that an enemy mechanised column on Saturday occupied Port Bardia, just inside the Libyan frontier, after making a detour around Tobruk, about 75 miles to the west.

Bardia had been previously only in relatively small quantities evacuated by the British and Imperial forces.

Fighting is also going on in the Tobruk area where it is stated British forces are not surrounded or isolated and it is possible for a mechanised column to establish contact across the desert.

It was learned that more British troops are becoming available for the Western Desert front daily and that the situation from that point of view is considerably better than it was a week ago.

Attack Repulsed

It was not revealed whether the British are occupying the strong defence works built by the Italians at Tobruk, particularly the double perimeter defences, but it is presumed that it was certain it was a German attack against these defences which the British repulsed.

The presence of a strong British force at Tobruk would constitute a dangerous threat to German communications and would immobilise their forces.

It is believed that the German mechanised units are receiving petrol supplies by air although

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Pacific

War

Unlikely?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

"I found no bases either in China or Japan for believing that a Japan-American war is likely this year," declared Mr. F. M. Marquardt, International News special correspondent, on arrival in San Francisco from Manila yesterday.

The Japanese navy, which would be forced to bear the brunt of any new Pacific conflict, is more conservative than the army and is unlikely to precipitate war.

"Of course the Tokyo militarists might upset the apple cart but I believe this is unlikely," International News Service.

EVENTS AS SEEN IN CAIRO

(Continued from Page 1)

Heavy Losses

The relentless German pressure both in the Balkans and Africa is costing them fairly heavy losses in men and material.

The Germans claim to have occupied Belgrade but the position generally in Yugoslavia is described in London as slightly more comforting, with Yugoslavian commanders contesting the German thrusts and scoring a certain success in the south.

The two main British advances to clean up the East African campaign in Abyssinia are still being held up by demolitions along the Gondar and Dessie roads. — Reuter.

It is believed that the German mechanised units are receiving

petrol supplies by air although

HEAVY R.A.F. ATTACK

An R.A.F. communiqué in Cairo says British fighters machine-gunned and damaged enemy motor transport in the Gazala area.

During Friday night bomber aircraft made several attacks on targets in the same area, and heavily and successfully bombed Gazala aerodrome.

An ammunition dump near Misra landing ground, where fires and explosions were caused, and motor transport south of Gazala, on which direct hits were registered, were among other objectives bombed.

R.A.F. bombers raided Calato during Friday night and many direct hits were observed on the aerodrome, and one large fire was started.

Malta: a number of Junkers 87's raided Malta on Friday night. No serious damage or casualties was caused and one raider was shot down by A.A. fire.

Abyssinia: the R.A.F. attacked the aerodrome at Ajolama and severely damaged motor transport and a number of aircraft on the ground.

South African fighters attacked enemy aircraft on the ground at Sciasciamanna and turned out two Savoia and two Capronis.

From all these operations three of our aircraft are missing but two of the pilots are safe. — Reuter.

Turkish Demand Obeyed

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A formal and vigorous demand by Turkey resulted in the withdrawal of over 400,000 German and Bulgar troops from the north-west Turkish frontier, it was learned in Istanbul yesterday.

While Britain has begun evacuating her nationals from Turkey, now menaced with war as a result of the German conquest of Greek Thrace, it was ascertained that some 27 divisions of the German and Bulgar armies have been removed to points averaging 20 miles back from the Turco-Bulgar border. — International News Service.

Imperial Forces Still Hold Tobruk

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

IT IS NOTEWORTHY THAT THE AXIS HAS NOT CLAIMED THAT ITS FORCES HAVE TAKEN ANY PRISONERS IN "SURROUNDING TOBRUK AND OCCUPYING BARDIA."

This factor is a determining quality in the success of desert warfare. How big a British garrison was left in Tobruk is General Wavell's secret.

No commander could face with edly bombed and dispersed. Many vehicles were damaged or destroyed this fortified town in the destroyed. — Reuter.

FATHER TISO OFF TO BRATISLAVA

The Slovak Minister to Moscow Father Tiso, left by train for Bratislava last night to consult with his Government. — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Senator Nye, on the Soviet-Japan Treaty, said last night: "It means only one thing. It puts Uncle Sam out on a limb." — International News Service.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Yugoslavs are putting up a good fight in the North and West, according to information reaching London, and are driving down the Kachanik Gorge in an effort to recapture Skopje. There is no confirmation of the Nazi claim to capture of Belgrade. — International News Service.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Well-informed quarters in Istanbul state that following the German thrust on Eastern Greece, about 12,000 Greek troops and 20,000 civilians have taken refuge in Turkey. — International News Service.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berlin hails the Soviet-Japan Treaty with undisguised satisfaction. The Foreign Office spokesman said: "It is a sound contribution to further consolidation of Japan's Far East security. The Pact pulls the props from under the Chiang Kai-shek regime and dashes any prospects America entertained of a hostile Soviet move against Japan." — International News Service.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

International News Service's Correspondent in Athens says the battle which may decide the fate of Greece is raging with mounting intensity. After the introductory clash, when the British and Greek forces smashed the German spearhead, the "powerful defence wall" built by the British met the full weight of the invaders.

"Generally speaking," said an official announcement, "wherever the hitherto invincible German columns met the Anglo-Greek forces, they have been checked."

The smashing of a German mass attack on a twelve-miles front from Florina east is described as a "terrible disaster for the Germans." — International News Service.



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